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CHAOS REIGNS IN DARTMOOR PRISON MUTINY.

THE TENSION IN SHANGHAI.

ULTIMATUM TO END IN 24 HOURS.

JAPANESE MINISTER'S RESIDENCE FIRE.

MILL LOCK-OUT THREAT.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT).

Shanghai, Jan. 24.
THE Mayor of Greater Shanghai has been granted a further twenty-four hours in which to reply to the Japanese ultimatum.

Incendiaries last night set on fire a garage attached to the residence of Mr. Shigemitsu, the Japanese Minister to China.

Japanese mill-owners have threatened to close down every Japanese-owned mill in Shanghai unless the boycott of Japanese goods is removed.

These are the latest developments of the situation in Shanghai, the gravity of which has so impressed itself upon the Japanese Government that Mr. Shigemitsu, now in Tokyo, has been instructed to return to Shanghai immediately.

Mr. Murai, the Japanese Consul-General, attended at his office throughout the day yesterday in anticipation that a reply would be received to the Japanese ultimatum. No communication was made by the Chinese authorities, who have given a further 24 hours in which to present their reply.

SECOND JAPANESE PRIEST SUCCUMBS.

The atmosphere appears to be less tense than it was on Friday, but the outlook is still grave, and racial antagonism from the Japanese angle may be further intensified by the news of the death of the second of the Buddhist priests injured last Monday.

The Japanese Cotton Mill Owners' Association yesterday addressed a strongly worded letter to Mr. Wu Tich-chen, the Mayor, advising him that the Association has definitely decided to close all Japanese cotton mills in China if the boycott activities do not cease immediately. This action would affect well over 300,000 Chinese in Shanghai, taking into account the wives and families of the operatives.

The garage of Mr. Shigemitsu was partially destroyed in the fire which broke out at 7.15 p.m. last night. There is little doubt that the outbreak was the result of incendiary activities.

MINISTER'S HOUSE ENDANGERED.

(Special to the "Telegraph").

Last night's fire at Mr. Shigemitsu's residence in the Route Pichon was only confined to the garage by the energetic efforts of the Fire Brigade, who fortunately, were quickly on the scene.

The flames threatened in the early stages to spread to the house, shooting high into the air. Incendiaries owing to the tension over the Sino-Japanese dispute is alleged.

Mr. Shigemitsu, who has been conferring with the government in Tokyo, is expected back in Shanghai on Wednesday.—*Reuter.*

EUGENE CHEN RESIGNS POST.

Nanking, Jan. 25.
The reported resignation of the Foreign Minister, Mr. Eugene Chen, after only a few weeks in office, has aroused much comment in political circles.

Mr. Chen did not appear at the Foreign Ministry yesterday and great surprise was caused in the afternoon when it was disclosed that he had quietly left for Shanghai.

Defeated by newspaper correspondents at the Shanghai Railway Station, Mr. Chen said he was visiting Shanghai to confer with the Chinese leaders regarding the situation there, but he declined to comment on the rumours of his resignation.

Mr. Sun Fo arrived at Shanghai later in the day and conferred with Mr. Eugene Chen and it is believed that the President of the Executive Yuan is endeavouring to persuade Chen to continue in office.

It is understood that the Foreign Minister is dissatisfied with the Government's handling of the Manchurian problem, in which connexion he recently suggested the severance of all political relations with Japan, a recommendation which has not met with support in Government circles.

Interviewed by press representatives, a high official of the Foreign Ministry stated yesterday that Mr. Chen had not written officially to the Executive Yuan tendering his resignation, although well-informed circles state that he communicated by telephone with Mr. Sun Fo and verbally tendered his resignation prior to leaving for Shanghai.

Shanghai Trouble.

General Chiang Kai-shek, Mr. Wang Ching-wei, Marshal Feng Yuxiang, Marshal Li Chai-sum, General Li Chung-ye and twenty other commissioners of the Central Political Council and Kuomintang Executive Committee assembled yesterday afternoon at Government House where they had a lengthy conference on the Shanghai situation.

Both Chiang Kai-shek and Wang Ching-wei addressed the meeting at considerable length, and it is stated that the leaders agreed to continue the foreign policy maintained by the Chiang Kai-shek Government.

Resignation Definite.

Nanking, Jan. 25.
Mr. Eugene Chen telegraphed from Shanghai this morning officially tendering his resignation.

Convict Hero Saves Life of Asst. Commissioner.

THE MURDER OF DR. PORGES.

REAL FACTS OF OUTRAGE.

WANTON CRIME SUGGESTED.

(Our Own Correspondent).

Shanghai, Jan. 25.
Although the Chinese military authorities are pleading that the shooting of Dr. Albert Porges, the Austrian manager of the American Express Company, was an accident, newly-disclosed facts concerning the outrage definitely suggest wanton murder.

It appears that the incident was not the result of reckless shooting upon a travelling motor-car without warning, or rather, putting it that way, creates a wrong impression.

The true facts are that Dr. Porges was returning from a drive to Lungshan accompanied by a lady friend. Near the yamen, two soldiers shouted to the driver to stop. The car was pulled up with a jerk as the brakes were applied. The soldiers looked into the car and apparently satisfied, waved it on, a signal to proceed.

Seated in Rear.

Dr. Porges, who was seated in the rear of the car, gazed out of the rear window and one of the soldiers suddenly brought his rifle to his shoulder and fired at the back of the car.

The bullet struck Dr. Porges in the back and passed out of the chest. His died in hospital at noon.

JARDINE GODOWN BLAZE.

\$100,000 DAMAGE IN SHANGHAI.

(Special to "Telegraph").

Shanghai, Jan. 25.
A godown belonging to Messrs. Jardine Matheson and Company, at their East Pootung Wharf, was completely gutted by fire last night.

The origin of the outbreak is unknown. The loss is estimated at \$100,000.—*Reuter.*

SILVER PRICES DROP.

HONGKONG DOLLAR UNCHANGED.

Although silver is down both in London and New York, the Hongkong dollar remains unchanged at 1s. 5.1/16d. on demand.

The decline in London was 1/16th both for spot and forward, India being a small seller on a quiet market.

New York reports a fall of a quarter, with the market dull.

The cross-rate is down once again, the figure being 3.42 1/4.

Locally there is practically nothing doing, though the market both here and in Shanghai is steady.

owing to the Government's rejection of his policy of breaking off diplomatic relations with Japan, in favour of a policy of moderation.

A last-minute drastic change in the instructions to Dr. W. W. Yen regarding China's attitude at the League of Nations meeting is expected to be despatched to Geneva to-day. The fresh instructions are based on a policy of moderation.—*Reuter.*

AMAZING TWO-HOUR FIGHT FOR FREEDOM.

MANY WARDERS & PRISONERS ON CASUALTY LIST.

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE SET ON FIRE TROOPS RUSHED TO SCENE.

THREE HUNDRED CONVICTS exercising a prearranged signal . . . warders suddenly attacked by overwhelming numbers of men with concealed arms . . . chaos for two hours . . . frantic efforts to scale high walls . . . a mass attack on Assistant Commissioner . . . heroic intervention by a man sentenced to penal servitude for life . . . police and troops brought up to quell mutiny . . . order restored after stiff battling.

Thus may be summarised amazing scenes at Dartmoor Prison, one of the most famous of England's penal colonies, yesterday, the trouble being the culmination of signs of serious discontent among the prisoners for some time.

According to the first reports of the affair which is sensational for England, though a faithful copy of a series of gaol outbreaks in the United States, over sixty convicts were seriously wounded and sent to hospital as a result of the mutiny, while a dozen warders were seriously injured.

A Home Office statement last night stated that the injuries to the prisoners in the Dartmoor Prison riot were not so serious as first reported. According to the official version, twenty convicts are now in hospital suffering from minor injuries from shot wounds and the warders' staves.

It is added that no prisoner was seriously wounded, no prisoner managed to escape and none of the injured officers is in a serious condition.

The heroism of one of the convicts, an Irishman sentenced to penal servitude for life, saved the life of the Assistant Prison Commissioner in the course of the outbreak.

The Commissioner was confronted by a band of prisoners, armed with iron bars. Donovan, the convict referred to, regardless of the grave risk, rushed between him and his assailants and warned them to caution. It appeared momentarily as if both Donovan and the Assistant Commissioner would be killed out of hand, but Donovan succeeded in turning the attackers.

MASS ESCAPE ATTEMPT EARLIER.

Complete peace has been restored at Dartmoor last night, following the mutiny, which is unparalleled in British prison history.

A hundred police are remaining in and around the prison as a precaution, constant vigil being maintained all night. Troops at Crownhill Barracks also remained in readiness for an emergency.

Simmering for a fortnight. The struggle between the convicts, numbering 300 and the armed warders, reinforced by hundreds of police who were rushed to the prison on the first alarm from the neighbouring towns and villages, lasted for over two hours.

The trouble had been simmering for a fortnight. It boiled over during the morning when the prisoners were exercising. Suddenly, the prisoners attacked the warders with improvised weapons, after which, temporarily in control of the situation, they set fire to the Governor's Office.

Rifle-fire mingling with the crackling flames could be seen and heard for miles around.

While reinforcements were being hurried to the scene complete chaos reigned inside the prison walls. Hundreds of convicts tried to scale the high walls without success.

Over a hundred soldiers, equipped with steel helmets and fighting equipment are under orders to proceed from Plymouth to Dartmoor.

The convicts resisted fiercely when the reinforcements arrived and most of them had to be forcibly captured before the riot was quelled.

The authorities are now busily dealing with the wounded and investigating the damage.

The whole of the control portion of the gaol has been burned down and while the official statement gives only twenty as sent to hospital, some reports place the total of injuries as high as 84 convicts, and six warders.

A search of the cells this evening after the outbreak was properly under control, revealed a number of hidden weapons such as knives, pieces of lead tubing and nails tied in handkerchiefs, confirming the belief that the trouble has been brewing for some time.

Moreover, it is now revealed that there was an attempted mass escape earlier in the week, while on Friday a warder was slashed in the face by a razor.

A "Terror" Averted.

When the trouble was at its height, the women in the neighbourhood were warned to lock themselves in their houses owing to a fear that the convicts might possibly escape en masse and terrorise the countryside.

It is believed that this was only averted by the timely arrival of large forces of police.—*Reuter.*



The Presidential Palace of San Salvador, under military guard during the revolution crisis.

Short-lived Revolt.

REDS ROUTED IN SAN SALVADOR.

New York, Jan. 24.

A message from San Salvador, whither British and American warships are rushing in answer to urgent requests from the British and American acting Ministers, states that the Government have now routed the Communists and are in control of the situation.

Very heavy fighting is reported to have taken place and the Communists have suffered severe losses.

Martial law has been declared throughout the republic, and complete quiet now prevails.

The Communist coup was very near success at one stage. They seized and occupied a number of towns, and entrenched themselves against attack. The Government forces, however, proved too strong for the rebels and drove them out after much slaughter.—*Reuter's American Service.*

MILITARY CAMP BLAZE.

EXCITEMENT AT SHAMSHUIPO.

SHEDS GUTTED.

Three huts were completely destroyed and four other buildings partially damaged this morning as a result of a fire which broke out at the Military Camp at Shamshuiipo, the headquarters of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders.

No fewer than five fire appliances were rushed to the scene, but it took more than an hour after their arrival to get the conflagration under complete control.

The difficulties of the fire-fighters were enhanced by a shortage of water. Sea water had to be used.

Heavy Losses.

The fire is believed to have broken out in a passage way between two big huts, one used as a laundry and the other for storage purposes, in which were many band instruments and bandmen's uniforms. Besides the valuable collection of band instruments, including bugles and drums, there was also in the shed a pair of silver pipes belonging to Major Sinclair. These are believed to have been destroyed, whilst much damage was also done to the instruments, although some of them were retrieved.

Battalion Turns Out. The Brigade found the place well alight when they arrived, despite the fact that the whole Battalion turned out and kept the blaze within bounds, though some difficulty was experienced with the water supply.

Concentrating their efforts on huts which were in danger, though not actually involved in the blaze, the Brigade had little option but to allow the fire to burn itself out.

The Tsimshatui Fire Station received a call at 10.52 a.m. and three appliances went immediately under Station Officer G. Saunders. Two turned out from Mongkok under Station Officer Smith.

A "Home Call" was sent at 11.03 a.m., but despite the additional aid, three sheds, 120 feet long and about 15 feet wide were completely destroyed. Four other buildings received slight damage by fire and breakage. The fire was under complete control by 12.05 p.m.

FIERCE BATTLE IN KIRIN.

DEFEATED ARMY PLUNDERING.

Harbin, Jan. 25.
The trouble which has been brewing for a long time between the troops of the old and the new Kirin Governments flared up yesterday morning.

Fierce fighting is reported to have occurred a few miles to the south of Siao-lin Station.

General Yu Hsieh-chow attacked in full force, supported by several aeroplanes, which dropped many bombs on the opposing army.

After stubborn resistance, the old Government troops retreated to Siao-lin. The commander of the Siao-lin garrison demanded that they surrender their arms. Refusing, they continued their retreat towards Erhshentzhan, which town they captured.

It is reported that shops in the town were plundered and that many casualties occurred.—*Reuter.*

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Making a total of \$1 per share for the year 1931, the Directors of Hongkong Tramways, Ltd., will recommend a final dividend of 60 cents per share at the date of the forthcoming ordinary shareholders' meeting of the Company.

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MILL WORKERS ON PROTEST STRIKE.

OBJECTION TO SENTENCE ON SECRETARIES.

Ahmadabad, Jan. 23.
More than 70 mills in the Bombay district have closed during the last two days, and it is estimated that 70,000 men are on strike, as a protest against the sentence of a year's rigorous imprisonment passed on the joint secretaries of the Labour Association for failing to report to the police under the emergency decrees.—*Reuter.*

Numerous Arrests.

Bombay, Jan. 24.
It is estimated that already more than 2,000 members of Congress have been convicted for offences throughout India in connection with the civil disobedience ordinances. In addition 5,000 "red shirts" have been convicted in the frontier provinces. The latest move is the arrest of 265 prominent Congress leaders. The situation is fully under control. There is no sign so far of a collapse of the civil disobedience. The picketing boycott is being quietly carried on.—*Reuter.*

No Co-Operation.

Bombay, Jan. 24.
After a long discussion on the situation in India, the Executive Committee of the Indian Congress has telegraphed the Viceroy. It is believed that he has been informed that it will be difficult for the Federation to co-operate with the Round Table Committee in view of the conditions created by the recent ordinances and the arrests throughout India.—*Reuter.*

SPAIN TAKING NO CHANCES.

PRECAUTIONS TO COMBAT EXPECTED REVOLT.

Madrid, Jan. 24.
In preparation for the general revolutionary movement which is reported to be growing rapidly, the Minister for the Interior has submitted to the Chamber, a decree authorising the emergency credit of £100,000 in order to buy armaments, lorries and motorcars, and also to increase the police "shock" troops by 2,500 men, in order to combat disorder. President Zamora has signed the decree dissolving the Jesuit order in Spain.

Fixed for Monday?

Although effective steps have been taken to suppress the Communist rebellion in Catalonia, official quarters allege that the situation is serious, and that a general revolutionary movement has been fixed for Monday.

The official allegations, however, are not much credited.

The general opinion is that the Government is exaggerating the seriousness of the situation with a view to obtaining general support prior to action against the Church and the Jesuits.

10 Days' Notice.

The grounds for the dissolution of the Jesuit order is that its members are obliged to take a vow of obedience to an authority, other than the Republic, namely the Holy See.

The decree deprives the Jesuits of their judicial rights, gives them 10 days in which to relinquish communal life and forbids them to dispose of their property, all of which will be confiscated by the State and used for charitable purposes.—*Reuter.*

Hollywood, Jan. 24.

The film star Richard Barthelmess and his wife are leaving for Shanghai on January 30, where they will join Ronald Colman, and all three will then sample the possibility of Manchurian thrills.—*Reuter's American Service.*

EXTENSION FOR A YEAR.

SHORT-TERM CREDITS NEW AGREEMENT.

Berlin, Jan. 24.
The committee on Germany's short term credits has agreed that the existing standstill agreement, which ends on February 29, shall be prolonged for a year. The committee, in concurring with the League report that the German rates of taxation have now reached their limit, adds that Germany vigorously and courageously turned to the normal sound method of payment in goods and services, but its export opportunities have lately been restricted by the fact that several countries have abandoned the gold standard.

Commenting on the world nations' struggle for a disproportionate share of the dwindling world trade, the report says that the essential trade policy should permit goods to move in the settlement of international debts, and that countries should pull down their trade barriers and make markets for one another.

In conclusion the report pays a tribute to the very great efforts and sacrifices that the German Government and people are making to maintain their position amidst unprecedented difficulties.

New Agreement Involved.

The short-term debts have involved a new standstill agreement and an amount of approximately £268,000,000.

The German banks, in a statement, said the agreement was renewed until February 28, 1933, on the condition that German legislation authorises the carrying out of the present agreement; otherwise foreign creditors are entitled to terminate the agreement.

The agreement provides, *inter alia*, cash advances of 200,000,000 marks to the German banks that will be converted into a 10 years' loan, the banks paying 15 per cent. annually on foreign borrowings into a trust fund at the Reichsbank, against which 10 per cent. certificates will be offered to creditors at their option. This is the first step towards converting the short-term debts into long-term debts. The agreement also recommends other methods for similar conversion.—*Reuter.*

No Room for Hitler.

Berlin, Jan. 23.
The German Government's determination to remain in office and not make way for Hitler, is indicated in Dr. Brüning's reply to Hitler's recent letter, declining to agree to the Government's proposal to extend General Hindenburg's term of office as President. Dr. Brüning, in his reply, says that if the Nazis came into power Hitler would have to pursue the same course as the present Government, whose only object is to rescue the Fatherland from great distress, mainly due to the treaty of Versailles.—*Reuter.*

SOLDIERS KILL FOREIGNER.

AMERICAN EXPRESS MANAGER.

Shanghai, Jan. 24.
Dr. Albert Porjes, the Austrian manager of the Shanghai office of the American Express, was murdered this morning by Chinese soldiers near the Lungwa Pagoda.

Dr. Porjes was motoring with a lady and chauffeur. When near the Pagoda two youthful soldiers levelled their rifles at the car and opened fire without warning.

Dr. Porjes was shot through the chest. The woman and chauffeur were not hurt. They drove back to the French Concession and immediately proceeded to a hospital with Dr. Porjes, who was found to have been shot through the heart and to have died instantly.

Just previous to the fatal incident the same soldiers had held up a walking party of four foreigners and threatened them with bayonets.—*Reuter.*

TARIFF CRISIS IN BRITAIN.

VARIED OPINION ON CABINET SOLUTION.

London, Jan. 23.
Sharp divisions of opinion have quickly arisen in political circles over the Cabinet's solution of the tariff crisis. Many Conservatives outside Government are convinced that the doctrine of Cabinet responsibility has been gravely undermined, whilst Liberals are of opinion that the solution is the best way out of a very difficult situation.

A number of observers share the view expressed last night by the ex-Dominions Secretary, Mr. L. S. Amery, that the plan will prove unworkable.

Although the originator of this striking departure from constitutional theory of Cabinet Government has not been revealed, the name of Sir John Simon is suggested as the author.

It is thought unlikely that Lord Snowden and his co-dissentients, Sir Herbert Samuel, Sir Donald Maclean, and Sir Archibald Sinclair will carry their opposition outside the House of Commons by speeches in the country.

It is understood that the Tariff Bill, which will be introduced as soon as possible after the re-assembly of Parliament, will include iron and steel, while there will be preference for Empire goods.

The taxes are expected to be permanent and not merely of an emergency nature.—*Reuter.*

Doubtful Expedient.

London, Jan. 24.
The Cabinet has announced that the expedient adopted should not be interpreted as implying disagreement on imperial issues, upon which, in fact, agreement is complete. The present expedient was, therefore, adopted, since it was generally agreed that righteous adherence to precedent lost importance in the face of unprecedented problems.

The *Times* points out that conditions are not normal, and the country at the Election decreed a departure from precedent because of it. If dissentient members had resigned, or their colleagues insisted upon their resignation every morning, when collaboration of parties at home in all matters of foreign and imperial policy is coming to be recognised, more and more, as a salient and standing fact in a tortured world, there would have been a return to party politics, such as the public would have been slow to forgive. A grave emergency demands the trial of experiments of all kinds.

Emergency Plan.

The *Daily Telegraph* considers the Cabinet's action as an emergency plan for unity, which puts national interest before precedent and gives it warm approval.

The *Morning Post* and *Daily News*, while believing in the importance of national unity in the face of world problems, doubts the soundness and success of the expedient.

The *Manchester Guardian* and *Daily Herald* bitterly attack the compromise, while the *Daily Mail* regards it as a sensible decision which practical men will wholly approve.

Lord Hailsham, who, it is understood, played a notable part in yesterday's Cabinet meeting, speaking last night, expressed the belief that "so far from weakening our position, nothing will so strengthen the weight of our influence abroad than the knowledge that even these fiscal differences, which are matters of common notoriety, are not of avail to shake the solidity of the British Cabinet in the time of the country's danger.—*British Wire- less.*

Athens, Jan. 24.

Sir Otto Niemeyer, the well-known financial expert, has been invited to visit Greece and study and report on the monetary, financial and economic situation of the country.—*Reuter's Special Service.*

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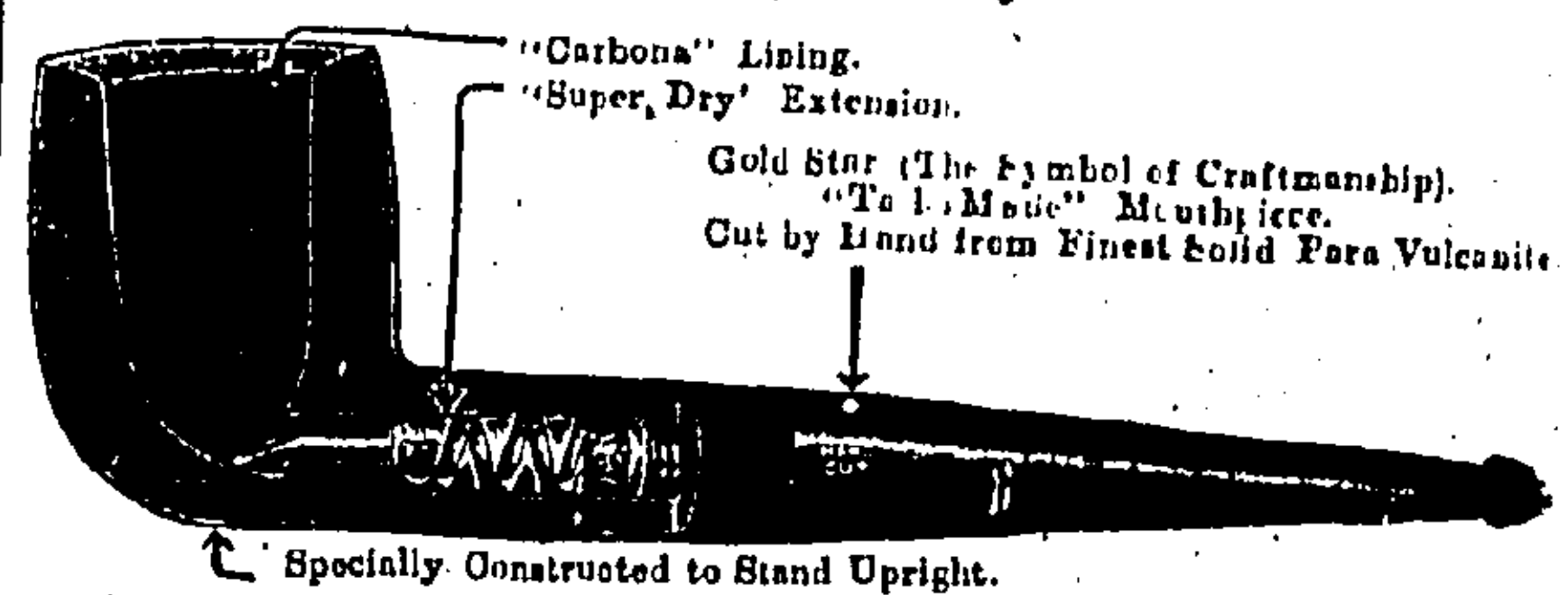
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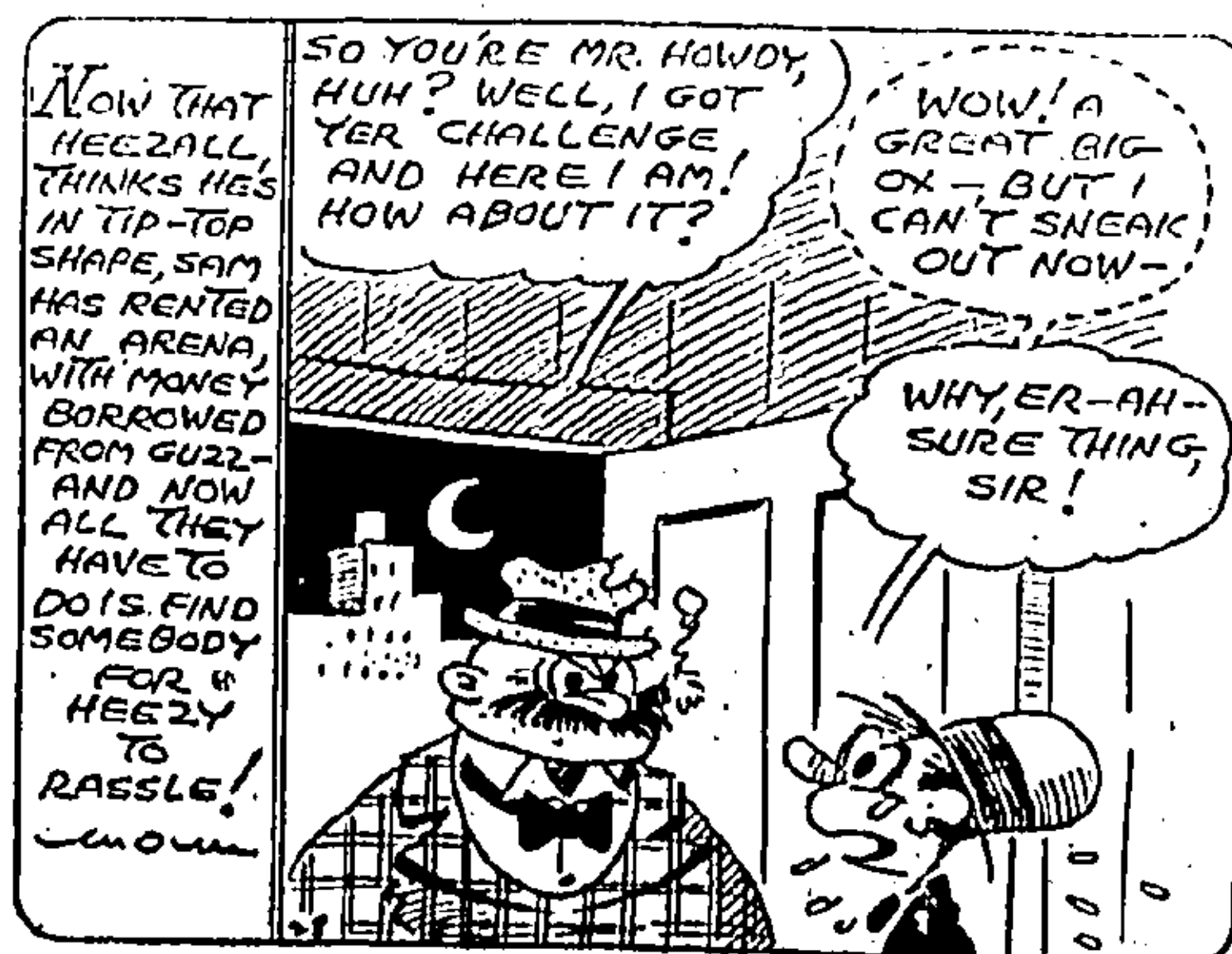
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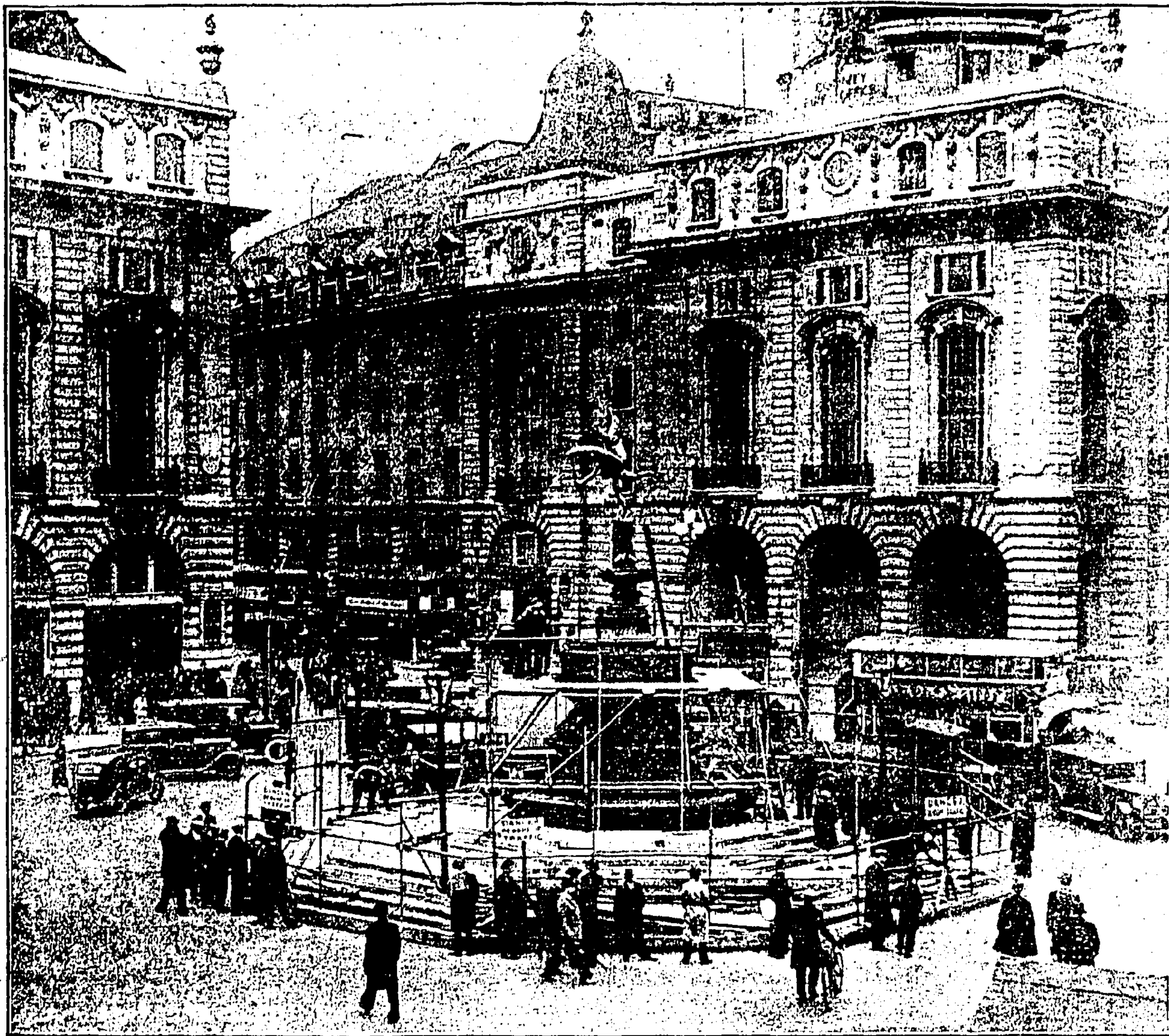
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EROS RETURNS TO PRESIDE OVER PICCADILLY CIRCUS.



After an absence of six years the statue of Eros, designed by Mr. Alfred Gilbert, has been restored to its old site in Piccadilly Circus. In the meantime the western side of the Circus has been rebuilt and a roundabout system of traffic has been introduced. In these pictures, Eros is seen in his new surroundings, and it is interesting to note that when he was removed none of the buildings shown on the left had been erected.—(Times copyright.)

Gems of Peril

BEGIN HERE TO-DAY.

HAZEL
ROSS HAYLEY

Mary Harrison, the heroine of the story, who she believed to be dead, but who was still alive, and later on, after a long and hard search, she was found by her father, who was the only one who knew her secret. The story is a thrilling one, and it is a pity that it is so short. The story is a thrilling one, and it is a pity that it is so short.

CHAPTER XXXVIII

Mary had persuaded herself that the fly would not come to-night. It was the only way she could bring herself to approach the meeting-place with any degree of confidence. He would not be there, and she would have worn the rubies for nothing—except to make a little small-talk for the other diners, perhaps. She told herself that, and tried to be sorry. But she wasn't. As the time approached, dread of the encounter turned her knees to jelly.

If she could only have given it up and gone to find Dirk. The joyful expectation of seeing him soon lifted her spirits.

A cool breeze from the bay struck their faces as they came out of the elevator into the informal sort of lobby, set off from the dining-space by tall potted palms. Hovering in a corner, watching the dancing, she caught sight of someone familiar.

George Bowen. Excusing herself, she hurried to meet him.

"Come in with us!" she begged him, pointing out that at least a third of the men present were in linen suits rather than the required formal dress.

"Not me—I'm just a voice in the wings," Bowen pleaded. "I barged in with my friend here, the society reporter." He brought forward a brown-eyed young woman in a vivid evening frock who could scarcely take her eyes from the ruby necklace long enough to be presented. "I've got to be running, along."

Bowen went on. "But first," (lowering his voice) "thanks for shooting the Countess out to me. I got a swell shot of her. Swell!"

"But I had nothing to do with

the story. I was just a voice in the wings. The story is a thrilling one, and it is a pity that it is so short. The story is a thrilling one, and it is a pity that it is so short.

"Well, one night there was a big fracas in her stateroom—screams and a lot of thumps and bumps, like someone was getting beaten up. A steward and I took it on the run. Here was this rich boy sitting there stupidly, and her with her clothes half off, the place all mussed up. She pretended he'd half killed her. But I'm certain it was a frame-up."

"He said they were drinking together as they'd done every day, when she suddenly began tearing off her clothes and slugging things around, and making a big noise. He thought she was drunk, but she was doing all right."

"It was hushed up. The boy's mother paid her off to keep the story from getting out. I was glad to let it ride, too. Steamship companies don't like that kind of rowdy publicity any more than anyone else. But we took care to see she didn't ship on our lines again, and turned our information about her over to the Department of Justice. I don't know what they did with it."

"Her name?" Mary asked. "Do you remember it?"

Miss Brown shook her head. "Not clearly. Delorme, or something like that. Louise Delorme."

"I'm sending the pictures to the Department of Justice," Bowen cut



Prince Charming (Miss Kitty Reidy) handing Cinderella (Miss Constance Carpenter) to her coach. A scene from Cinderella, the pantomime, at the Lyceum Theatre, which began on Boxing Day.—(Times copyright.)

in eagerly. I'll have the dope on her in a short while. Neat, eh what?" He gave his companion a congratulatory whack on the back. "Brownie, I salute you!"

"I salute you both!" Mary cried. "It's the most phenomenal luck I ever heard of—your remembering that, Miss Brown. I can't tell you what it means to us all, or how much we thank you!"

"All except Bruce, perhaps," Bowen commented. "Not wishing to keep her two companions waiting any longer, Mary left them to go back to her party."

"Every minute you waste talking to these gossips of yours is costing the boss money," Bates scolded. "Pretty soon there won't be food enough in the place to fill me up."

"But wait till you hear," Mary crowed excitedly. "I've learned all about the Countess. And what nice little playmates you have!"

They turned toward the trelissid gate which formed the entrance to the dining section of the roof. The place was crowded—too crowded for comfort. Extra tables had been squeezed in to accommodate the unexpected business which the fête, to be held later in the evening, had brought. Aisles were almost non-

existent, and the dance floor had shrunk to half its size.

The chatter of the crowd, like the roar of a vast human surf, was confusing, and Mary stood still for an instant trying to discover a lane wide enough to squeeze through to reach their table.

Suddenly she was enveloped in a burst of blue-white radiance that almost blinded her, and effectually shut out of sight everything but the small circle of blazing light in which she stood. A ripple of laughter and applause from the crowd

stretched her, and told her that they had never been the victims of a "stunt." Each incoming party was being subjected to brilliant illumination by reflector lamps standing on either side of the entrance, by way of introduction.

Mary followed the beckoning ram of the head-waiter to their table, recognizable by the large white "Reserved" card which was whisked away as they approached.

Jupiter was muttering angrily. "What's the matter with the damn lights? Put a man's eyes out!" But Bates appeared to enjoy the unexpected publicity.

"That is what I call service!" he remarked. "And lady, you cer-

tainly do rate it, with those doll-rags on!"

In the low-cut ivory satin, her dark head gleaming redly under the glare of the lights, Mary made a breath-taking picture framed in the doorway—the black velvet wrap dropped from slim, satin-smooth shoulders, the blood-red of the Jupiter rubies glowing warmly against the creamy skin.

It is true that not all the undertone of comment was kindly, and the felt it. But the embarrassment

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Chicago, U.S.A.



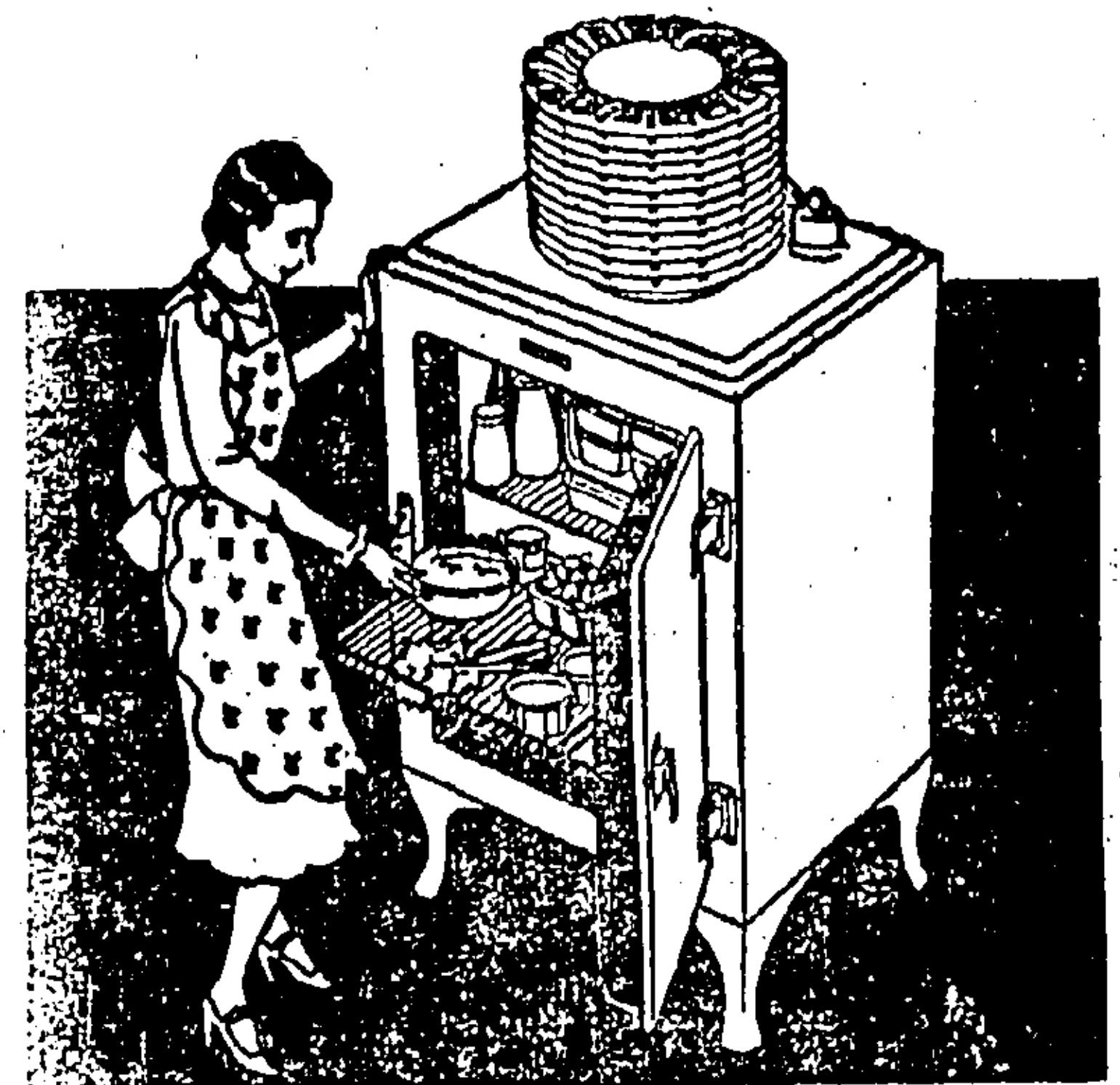
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LOST

LOST.—On the night of 20th January, between Queen's Theatre and Mac's Cafe, gold and platinum pendant set with diamonds (with chain). Finder please return to Tester Beauty Parlor. Reward.

MISCELLANEOUS

WANTED.—European gentleman to buy coaching in TENNIS, on Sunday mornings and Saturday afternoons, by one who could act as adviser to Tennis Club. Terms, etc. Write Box No. 911, "Hongkong Telegraph."

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FOR SALE.—Royal Portable Typewriter. New cost \$250.00. Will sell for \$150.00, also one Underwood, for quick sale in excellent condition. \$130.00. Apply Room No. 10, Arliss Hotel, 23-25, Nathan Road, Kowloon.

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G. R. NOTICE.

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E. D. C. WOLFE,
Inspector General of Police,
Hongkong, 23rd January, 1932.

HONGKONG TRAMWAYS, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of HONGKONG TRAMWAYS LIMITED will be held at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 17th day of February, 1932, at 12 o'clock noon, to transact the ordinary business of the Company.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the company will be closed from TUESDAY, the 2nd to WEDNESDAY, the 17th February, 1932, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
W. E. SIMMONS,
Secretary,
Hongkong, 25th January, 1932.

NOTICE.

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INTERIM DIVIDEND.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an INTERIM DIVIDEND for year ending 29th February, 1932, of three per cent. that is \$3 per share, will be paid to all shares in this Company on the 30th January, 1932, at the Company's Office at China Buildings, 5th floor.

The TRANSFER BOOK of the Company will be CLOSED from the 26th to the 30th January, 1932, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
HENRY LOWCOCK,
Secretary,
Hongkong, 22nd January, 1932.

THE HONG KONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-FOURTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on TUESDAY, 16th February 1932, at NOON for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1931.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, 28th January to TUESDAY, 16th February, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
L. S. GREENHILL,
Secretary,
Hongkong, 19th January, 1932.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

WILLIAMS, WILHELMSEN,
THE NORWEGIAN AFRICA & AUSTRALIA LINE.

The Motorship, "THALATTA" having arrived from Norway via ports on the 25th January, 1932, consignees of cargo are hereby notified that all goods are being landed at their risk into the non-hazardous, hazardous and/or extra hazardous godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., whence delivery may be obtained. Goods not cleared by the 1st February, 1932, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the godown where they will be examined on the 30th January, 1932 at 10 a.m. by our Surveyors, Messrs. Anderson & Ashie. No claims will be admitted unless notified and/or application for survey made in writing within seven days after landing of the goods or in any case before the goods are taken delivery of.

Claims will not be recoverable unless complete accounts are sent in within fourteen days of final discharge of vessel.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

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Hongkong, 25th January, 1932.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

OFFICIAL SUMMARY BY STOCK EXCHANGE.

In spite of the fact that it is the eve of the Settlement, the session opened quietly steady with a firm undertone, prices being marked in a few instances.

Sales.
Banks, \$1,420.
Star Ferries, \$101.
Lane, Crawford's (old), \$64.
Constructions (new), \$195.
China Fires, \$590.
Hotels (old), \$15,20.

Buyers.
Douglases, \$24.
Venezuela Goldfields, \$2.
Hotels (old), \$15,15.
Hotels (new), \$14,4.
Realities, \$11,60.
Ewos, \$10.
Singapore Tractions, 3/-.
Cemex (combined), \$19,4.
Cemex (new), \$5,60.
H.K. Government Loan, 35/- premium.

Benguet, \$11,5.
Providents (old), \$5,30.
Providents (new), \$2,45.
H.K. Lands, \$81,5.
Chinese Estates, \$95.
Tramways, \$22,1.
Ganton Leas, \$5.
Sinceres, \$16.
Constructions (old), \$5,40.
Constructions (new), \$1,85.

Sellers.
Indo China (pref.), \$45.
Indo China (old), \$32.
Telephone (part paid), \$28.
Lane, Crawford's (old), \$6,35.
Kailans, \$30.
Ranch, \$39.
Malayan Sugars, \$38.
Entertainments (old), \$16,1.

CIRCUS AT KOWLOON.

HARMSTON'S TO HAVE FIRST PERFORMANCE TO-NIGHT.

All the fun of the popular old-fashioned circus is promised at the opening to-night of Harmston's Circus and menagerie. The outfit arrived yesterday, and has taken up its position on the vacant ground in Salisbury Road, Kowloon, opposite the Peninsula Hotel. The circus will begin at 9.15 p.m., but the menagerie will be open daily from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Harmston's Circus, widely known in the East, is well equipped and has a large number of artists and trained animals, including lions, tigers, elephants, panthers, bears, geese and kangaroos. In addition to well-trained horses.

The circus band provides the incidental music and there should be any amount of entertainment, as the performing articles include the Palomares. In a wire-jumping act, and several trapeze experts. Also in the party is Dare Devil

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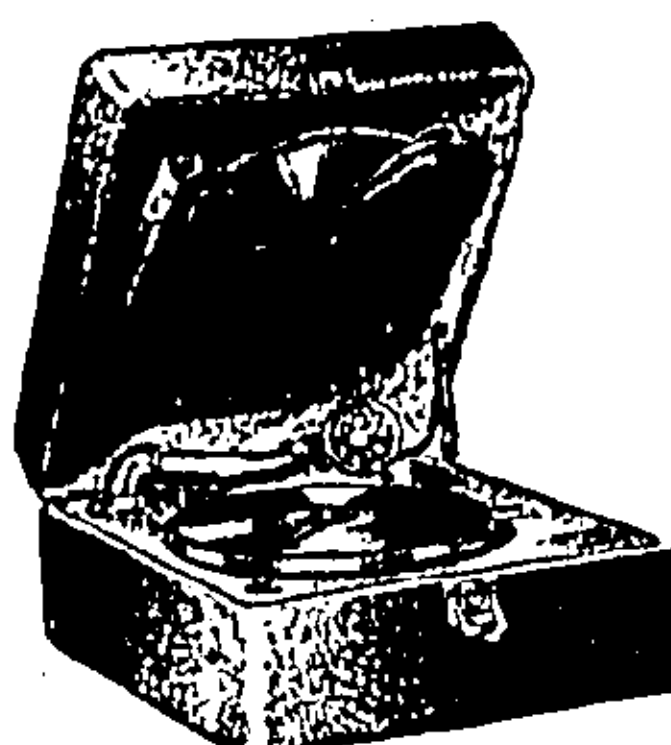
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CORRESPONDENCE.

World Depression and Its Cure.

(To the Editor, Hongkong Telegraph.)

Sir.—Reparations, war-debts, armament expenditure and post-war gold movements—therein, according to our economic and financial experts, be the cause of our industrial depression and yet, in spite of apparent unanimity in the diagnosis of the trouble, we are drifting further every day, from fallation or recovery.

Does the world lack confidence in the analysis of its experts? Are we hesitating in applying remedial measures because of some vague suspicion that the fundamental source of the calamity has yet to be disclosed? After all, it strikes one as being somewhat remarkable that we should have come through the critical period immediately following the four years of war depletion and after about ten years of unprecedented industrial expansion to crash just at this juncture. A few months back even Germany had recovered to the extent of being able to meet her heavy foreign obligations and yet forge ahead domestically while France and England were on the one hand boarding and on the other exporting surplus wealth at a rate absolutely unparalleled in their history. How then can we logically attribute the depression entirely to armament expenditure war debts and gold movements?

It seems fairly obvious that the real cause of the crash was that very prosperity which we are now frantically struggling to recover. The world has a new lesson to learn and the cost of tuition in wealth, misdirected labour, human anguish and perhaps bloodshed, will entirely depend upon how quickly we can readjust our old conceptions on finance and economics to the new conditions that has arisen.

Saving money, with a view to old age and the augmentation of one's income has always been looked upon as one of the most commendable of biological practices and so long as new countries were being developed and their inhabitants educated up to civilised customs productive expansion afforded an ever open investment field for savings, in that it was always a stern of potential consumption.

But saving is no longer a question of acquiring for oneself a reserve of precious metal to be drawn upon as necessity dictates. Money has become a mere medium for the exchange of commodity wealth and in saving, we are either creating more of that wealth or building some means of increasing its production. Every man whose income exceeds his expenditure is taking part in the flotation of some new productive enterprise and the world has reached a position to-day through rationalisation—labour saving devices, mass production, etc.—where it is saving far too much of its wealth—it is trying to produce more than its spending capacity can absorb. Consumption must equal production and with a given consuming capacity or spending power and its essential balance of production, no more wealth can possibly be saved without over-production dropping of prices, industrial disorganisation and financial loss.

So before we can hope for increased prosperity we have got to devise some system whereby spending power increases in direct ratio to the saving of wealth, and as the financier of to-day, the man who takes the lion's share of commercial profit, would have difficulty in spending more than a very small proportion of his income were it possible to persuade him into foregoing his fortune-making schemes, the only remedy seems to lie in nationalisation of industry.

We have ample evidence of recent maldistribution of industrial profit in the gold hoardings of France and the U.S.A., the post war heavy exportation of capital from the U.S.A. and England and the deplorable wage-rates and the unemployment in all three countries.

We may disarm, adopt a world currency scheme or cancel all war-debts and reparations, and then find that we haven't even touched the real source of our troubles. Increased consumption alone will bring productive expansion and therein lies unlimited prosperity for the world.—Yours, etc., X.

SIR WILLIAM JOWITT.

RESIGNS POST OF ATTORNEY GENERAL.

London, Jan. 24.
Sir William Jowitt has resigned the Attorney Generalship, and it is expected that the Solicitor General, Sir Thomas Inskip, will succeed him.

Sir Boyd Merriman will probably become Solicitor General. Sir Wm. Jowitt's resignation has been expected for some time, as he has been without a Parliamentary seat since the General Election.—
Reuter.

WORLD-WIDE RADIO TELEPHONING.

GRADUAL LINKING OF THE WHOLE EMPIRE.

London, Jan. 24.

The opening of a wireless telephone service between England and South Africa on February 1 marks the completion of another link in the huge chain whereby the British Post Office is encircling the globe, and binding the Empire together.

When India has been linked up similarly, (which will be accomplished this year) every part of the Empire will be in direct telephonic communication with Britain.

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SUGAR MARKET.

THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS.

The following cable at the close of the sugar market on Saturday has been received by Messrs. Pentreath and Co.

London Terminals.
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July 1.12 down 2 pts.
September 1.17 down 2 pts.
December 1.23 down 2 pts.

WEST RIVER LOW.

PASSENGERS HAVE TO TRANSFER.

Wuchow, Jan. 21.

Because of the low water of the West River, passengers on the Tai Hing, a steamer running between Hongkong and Wuchow, were forced to disembark at To Shing and proceed to their destination on board the Fuk On, a competitive steamer.

With only a little over eight feet of water on "the bar", the sterns of deep draught are prevented from crossing. The cargo of the Tai Hing will probably be transferred to junk for the balance of the trip up the river.—Our Own Correspondent.

POST OFFICE NOTICE

INWARD MAILS.		Per	Due
Straits	.....	Sudan	..... January 25.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 1st January)	.....	Pres. McKinley	..... January 25.
Shanghai and Swatow	.....	Klungchow	..... January 25.
London Parcel only	.....	Agamemnon	..... January 27.
Calcutta and Straits	.....	Sirdhana	..... January 27.
Japan	.....	Nellore	..... January 28.
Europe via Suez (letters and papers), London 31st December and parcels, 24th December, 1931	.....	Naldara	..... January 23.
Manila	.....	Emp. of Canada	..... January 28.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle, 5th January)	.....	Pres. Madison	..... January 20.
Japan and Shanghai	.....	Chitral	..... January 20.
OUTWARD MAILS.		Per	Date and Time
Swatow	.....	Hydrangea	..... Mon, Jan. 25, 8 p.m.
Poochow	.....	Chungking	..... Mon, Jan. 25, 3.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Brindisi	.....	Pilana	..... Mon, Jan. 25, 8 p.m.
	.....	Reg.	..... Jan. 25, 8 p.m.
	.....	Letters	..... Jan. 25, 4 p.m.
	.....	G.P.O.	.....
	.....	Reg.	..... Jan. 25, 3.45 p.m.
	.....	Letters	..... Jan. 25, 4.30 p.m.
	.....	(Duo Brindisi, 23rd February)	.....
Samshui and Wuchow	.....	Tai Hing	..... Mon, Jan. 25, 4 p.m.
Saigon	.....	Halvard	..... Mon, Jan. 25, 5 p.m.
Batavia	.....	Tjalsak	..... Tues, Jan. 25, 10.30 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	.....	Talma	..... Tues, Jan. 26, 1 p.m.
	.....	Letters	..... Noon
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	.....	Halyang	..... Tues, Jan. 26, 1 p.m.
Haliphong	.....	Com. Henri Riviere	..... Tues, Jan. 26, 1.30 p.m.
Samshui and Wuchow	.....	Kong Ning	..... Tues, Jan. 26, 4 p.m.
Manila	.....	Pres. McKinley	..... Tues, Jan. 26, 4.30 p.m.
Swatow	.....	Daviken	..... Tues, Jan. 26, 5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, Central and South America, *Europe via San Francisco and *Europe via Siberia	.....	Tatsu Maru	..... Wed, Jan. 27.
	.....	Reg.	..... Jan. 27, 8.30 a.m.
	.....	Letters	..... Jan. 27, 8.30 a.m.
	.....	(Duo San Francisco, 17th Feb.)	.....
Amoy and Formosa via Swatow	.....	Deli Maru	..... Thurs, Jan. 28, 8.30 a.m.
Amoy via Swatow	.....	Tjalsroca	..... Thurs, Jan. 28, 12.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	.....	Hatching	..... Fri, Jan. 29, 1 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	.....	Chitral	..... Sat, Jan. 30.
	.....	Reg.	..... Jan. 30, 4.30 p.m.
	.....	Letters	..... Jan. 30, 10 a.m.
	.....	G.P.O.	.....
	.....	Reg.	..... Jan. 30, 5 p.m.
	.....	Letters	..... Jan. 30, 9 a.m.
	.....	(Duo Brindisi, 16th February)	.....
Manila	.....	Pres. Madison	..... Sat, Jan. 30, 4.30 p.m.
Shanghai and *Europe via Siberia	Gango Sat, Jan. 30, 5 p.m.

*Manila, Rabaul, Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane

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HOME FOOTBALL.

RESULTS OF SATURDAY'S
MATCHES.

Saturday's Home football
matches resulted as follows:
ENGLISH CUP.
(FOURTH ROUND).

Watford	2	Bristol C.	1
Gainsby	2	Birmingham	1
Port Vale	1	Leicester	2
Manchester C.	6	Brentford	1
Huddersfield	5	Queen's P. R.	0
Newcastle	1	Southport	1
Wendnesday	7	Bournemouth	0
Bradford	4	Northampton	2
Bury	3	Sheffield U.	1
Arsenal	4	Plymouth	2
Oxford S. R.	2	Wolves	0
Derby	3	Blackburn	2
Chesterfield	2	Liverpool	1
Chelsea	3	West Ham	1
Portsmouth	1	Aston Villa	1
Sunderland	1	Stoke	1

SECOND DIVISION.

Barnley	0	Charlton	1
Leeds	2	Nottingham	2
Swansea	3	Barnsley	0
Tottenham	1	Manchester U.	1

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH).

Cardiff	2	Southend	3
Clapton O.	2	Brighton	2
Gillingham	2	Thames	0
Luton	1	Fulham	3
Swindon	2	Norwich	0
Torquay	2	Manfield	2

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH).

Accrington	2	Southport	0
Carlisle	4	Rochdale	0
Darlington	6	Hartlepool	3
Gateshead	2	Hull	1
Hullax	2	Chester	1
New Brighton	0	Barrow	3
Northwich	1	Tamworth	0
Stockport	3	York	0
Walsall	0	Lincoln	3
Wrexham	2	Doncaster	1
Not Played			

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

(FIRST DIVISION).

Aberdeen	0	Motherwell	1
Clyde	6	Hearts	2
Dundee U.	2	Airdrie	7
Falkirk	1	St. Mirren	1
Hamilton	1	Celtic	0
Kilmarnock	2	Third Lanark	0
Leith	1	Partick	3
Morton	1	Cowdenbeath	3
Queen's Park	0	Dundee	1
Rangers	6	Ayr	1

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

(SECOND DIVISION).

Albion	3	St. Johnstone	1
Arbroath	3	East Stirling	1
Bo'ness	3	Alloa	3
Brechin	0	Keith Rovers	1
Dumbarton	5	Montrose	1
Dunfermline	4	Forfar	2
East Fife	0	St. Bernards	2
Hibernians	0	Stenmuir	2
King's Park	3	Armadale	0
Queen O' Sth.	5	Edinburgh	1

SCOTLAND OUTPLAYED

London, Jan. 23.
At Belfast to-day, Ireland defeated
Scotland in the amateur international
football contest by four goals to nil.
—Reuter.

CHINESE BATHING
CLUB.ANNUAL MEETING ON
SATURDAY.

The annual meeting of the Chinese
Bathing Club was held on Saturday
afternoon at the premises of the On
Lok Yuen Cafe in Des Voeux Road
Central. Over a hundred members
and officials attended. The meeting
was presided over by Mr. Li Tse-
chung.

Mr. Chao Keung-wah, the Hon.
Secretary, in submitting his report
for the past year said that in 1931 the
Club's finances had improved con-
siderably. The total earnings of the
year had been about \$6,000, out of
which about \$4,000 had been paid to
cover the debts of the previous year.
After the Treasurer had submitted
his accounts, minor alterations in
the rules and regulations of the Club
were discussed. The election of
officials for the ensuing year took
place later, resulting in a General
Committee of 31 members being
elected.

The General Committee will meet at
a subsequent date to choose the
officials, a Chairman and the Hon.
Secretary.

An official police report issued this
morning states that the steam launch
Wo Shin Tin has been seized and
confiscated by the authorities for a
breach of the Opium Ordinance.

WOMEN'S WORLD

FOR OUR LADY READERS.

DIGNITY AND GLAMOUR.

Flowing Lines Give Chic to Formal Mode



[By Joann Savoy.]

As befits the spirit of the Second Empire when ladies wrapped themselves in dignity
and glamour as well as ankle length skirts, the fashion in evening wraps this winter re-
quires suave drapery that almost covers the shoe tops.

The luxurious velvet evening wrap shown in the drawing at the left fits the figure like a
sheath and keeps the style of its wearer's evening gown a secret. Wine velvet is used
for this model. The luxurious collar and cuffs are of white fox.

The evening wrap pictured at the right is of black velvet with ermine trimming. The
broad, high fitting collar is an adaptation of Queen Anne's favourite neckline.
Even in the opulent evening mode, the tendency of fashion to retreat from Empress
Eugenie farbelow to the sobered simplicity of tailored lines is illustrated. The beauty
of the costumes illustrated above depends on the richness of the material and the flowing
lines.

At first glance the new flowing style in evening wraps may suggest painful cleaning
bills in consequence of stormy nights.

Actually the menace need not be feared. Many of the finer velvets will not spot after
a light sprinkling, and the new velvet corduroys can pass from theatre lobby to motor un-
spotted, no matter how furious the rainstorm.

AN EASILY MADE PUDDING.

Butter a mould or basin and line
with slices of sponge cake or bread
well buttered and cut thin. Put in
some sweetened stewed raspberries,
then a layer of cake alternately till
full. Cover with a plate and weight
to press it down, and leave it in a
cool place an hour or so. Turn out
onto a glass dish, and serve with
cream.

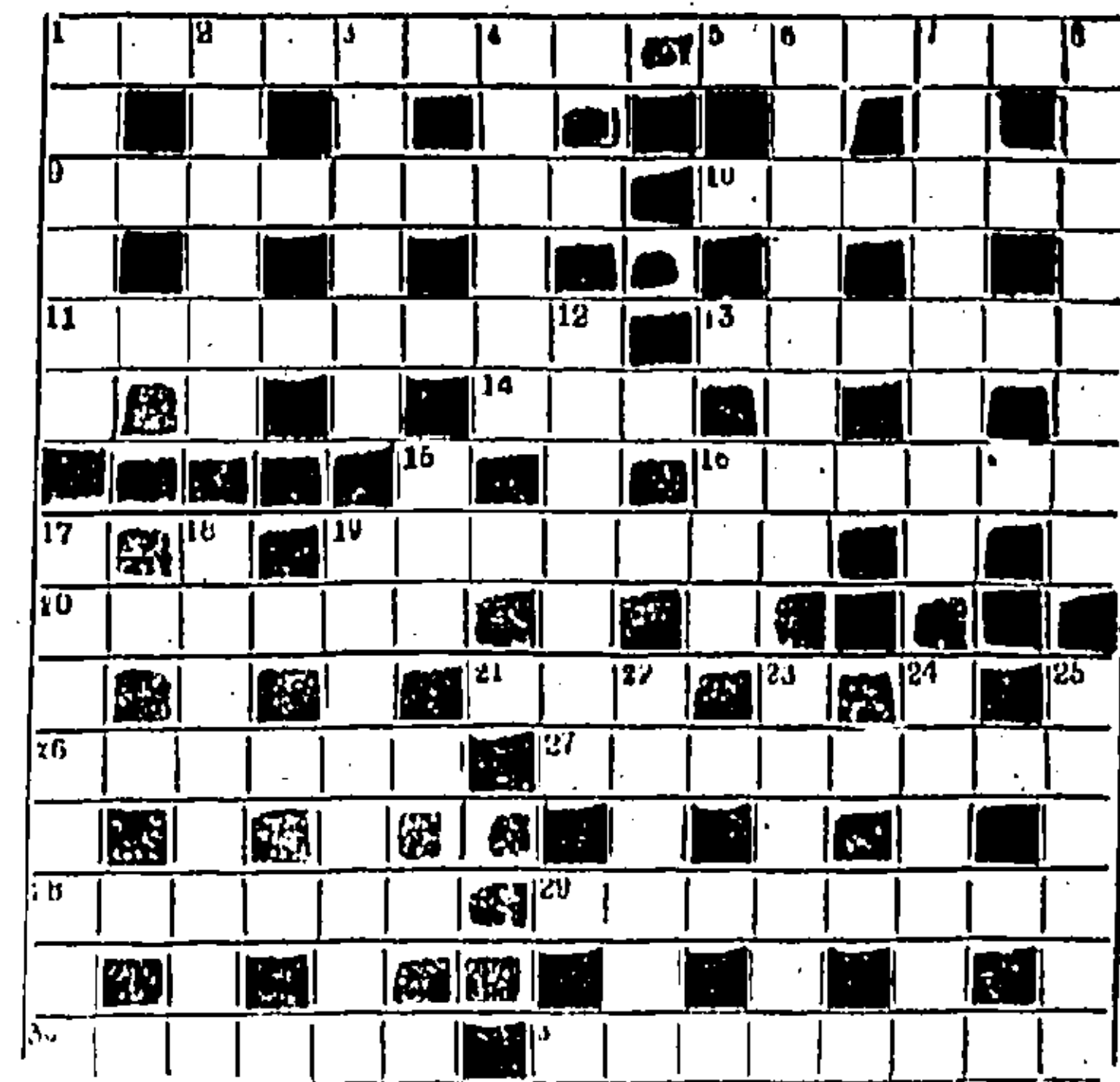
CLOCK AND CIGARETTE
BOXES.

A number of the large silver
cigarette boxes which hold about
a hundred or two hundred
cigarettes are now being made
with clocks on top. The newest
boxes are oblong with square
clocks; the numbers are marked
plainly in white and large silver
hands.

SILHOUETTE PHOTOGRAPH.

A silhouette photograph is in-
finitely preferred by some people
to the elaborate "petit" por-
trait, for the subject of the photo-
graph appears to be laughing or
talking in person. The photographs
are carefully cut in silhouette and
placed in a two-sided frame, which
can be obtained in colours to match
any scheme of decoration.

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



Across

- 1 Taken ill, in one sense.
- 5 Quite reasonably drunk after dinner.
- 9 The voice of an entire stranger often regrets that you were.
- 10 Harsh always in a certain direction.
- 11 Not at all polite and evidently somewhere near the I. of W.
- 13 A rifle of a former age.
- 14 Game point.
- 16 There seems to be no difficulty in this acceptable wedding-present.
- 19 It's humorous, but it's the best kind of demonstration headed.
- 20 Endear (anag.).
- 21 A famous line (initia.).
- 24 "— then new snow on a raven's back" ("Romeo and Juliet").
- 27 Things are forced here without employing force.
- 28 Money obvious in 9 Across.
- 29 Canoeise a London suburb, and you may be had up for it.
- 30 Wine.
- 31 Lace or carpets, perhaps.

Down

- 1 You, appropriately, get a litre by this method of business.
- 2 Husband or wife.
- 3 Marriageable.
- 4 Leave the stage.
- 6 A flowering evergreen.
- 7 It's perfectly devilish when I finish up (like Jonah) in a fish.
- 8 Course a West Country river case.

- 12 Make of car.
- 15 Recognition from an upset fellow.
- 16 Runs, but has no feet.
- 17 One may be taken thus.
- 18 Practically handy work, or doctor's name for a constant patient.
- 19 Shopkeeper who ends with a Dickens character.
- 22 Quite sufficient for a retort.
- 23 Impudent that helps to produce a suit.
- 24 Strange that ice enters into this lava product.
- 25 Appropriate material for seaside wear.

Saturday's Solution.

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LESSON-SERMON.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST,
SCIENTIST, HONGKONG.

"Truth" was the subject of the
Lesson-Sermon in all Churches of
Christ, Scientist, yesterday.

The Golden Text was—"God
shall send forth his mercy and his
truth." (Psalms 67; 3).

Among the citations which com-
prised the Lesson-Sermon was the
following from the Bible—"Every
good gift, and every perfect gift
is from above, and cometh down
from the Father of lights, with
whom is no variableness, neither
shadow of turning. Of his own
will begat he us with the word of
truth, that we should be a kind of
firstfruits of his creatures." (James 1: 17-18).

The Lesson-Sermon also includ-
ed the following passage from the
Christian Science textbook,

"HONOUR SLAYERS."

JURY REFUSE TO INDICT
AMERICAN COUPLE.

Honolulu, Jan. 24.

While official circles decline to
disclose the latest developments
in the Fortescue case, it is
rumoured that the Grand Jury has
refused to indict the "honour
slayers," and the presiding Judge
has refused to accept their pre-
sentsment.—Reuter's American Ser-
vice.

"Science and Health, with Key to
the Scriptures," by Mary Baker
Eddy—"Material sense never
helps mortals to understand
Spirit. God, Through spiritual
sense only, man comprehends and
loves Dolly. The various con-
tradictions of the Science of Mind
by the material senses do not
change the unseen Truth, which
remains forever intact. (p. 481).

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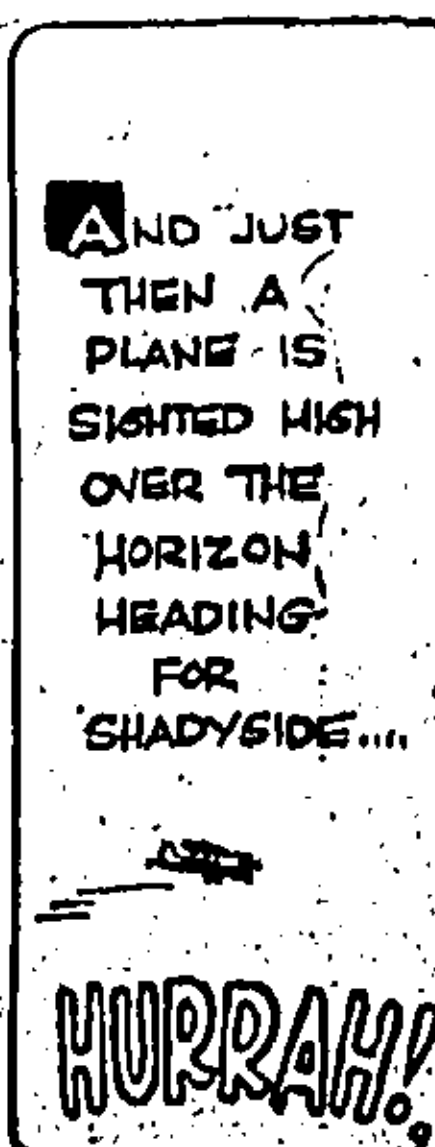
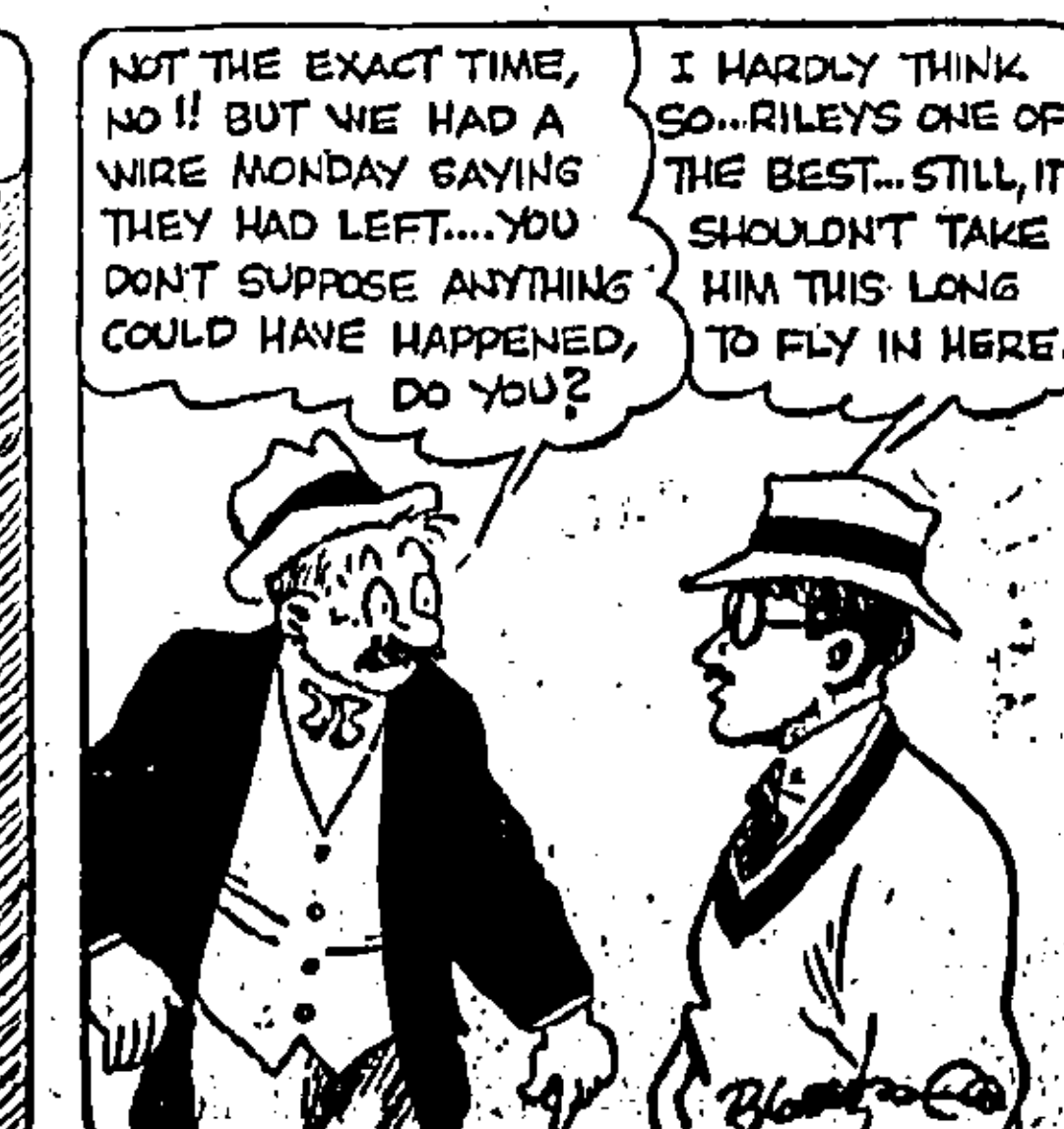
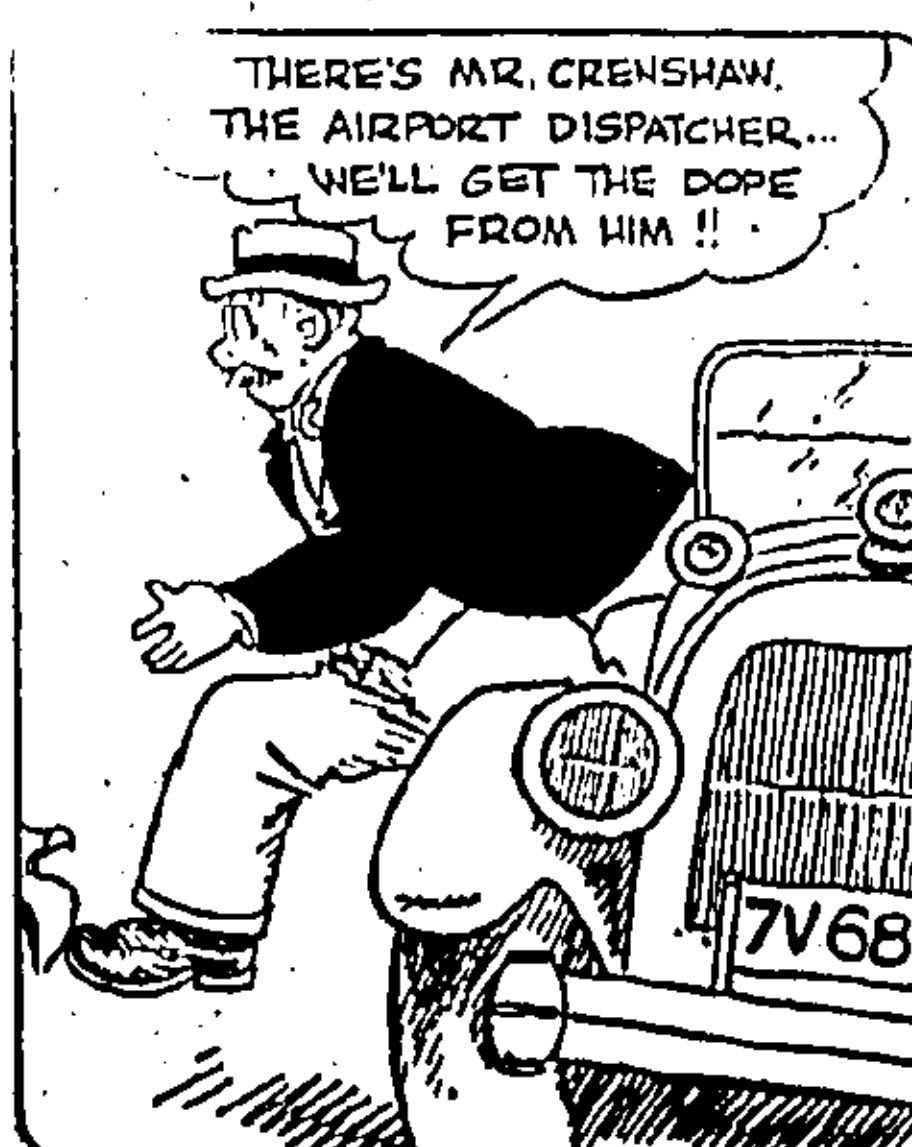
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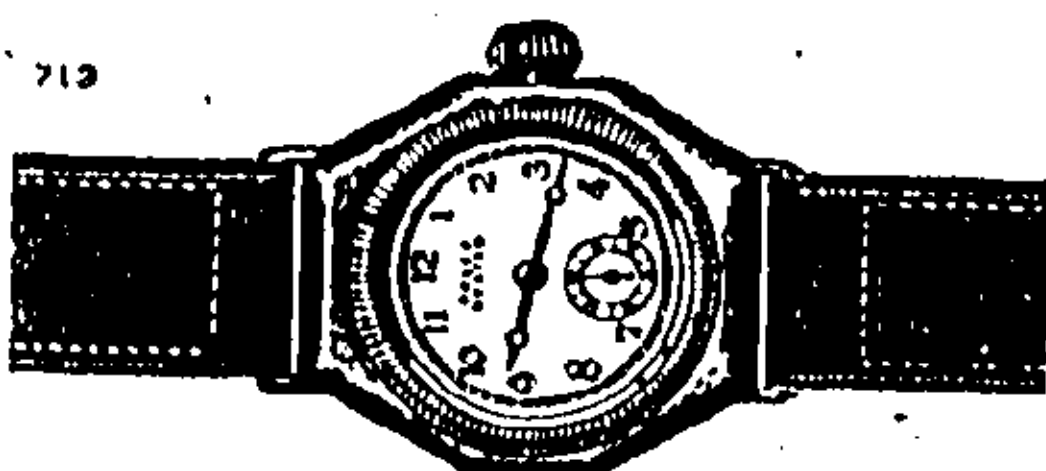
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EDUCATION.

Certain aspects of education locally which have recently been aired raises the question of the necessity of a complete overhaul and reform of the Colony's educational system. As the whole field is surveyed, it becomes evident that there is much that is haphazard in the working of that system, if system it may be termed. To express it mildly, there would appear to be a lack of co-ordination and an absence of any dominating policy. Indeed, we have heard it said that the Colony has no real educational policy at all; that we drift along rather aimlessly, and are content with methods which have long since become out-of-date. That may be a sweeping indictment, but we fear there is a good deal of truth in it.

Apart from these shortcomings, however, there is another point, namely, that, under existing conditions, the Education Department's personnel has small inducement for being ambitious. In many instances, the best use is not made of a teacher's special qualifications, and the newcomer soon learns that it is just as well to stifle his enthusiasms and settle down in the well-worn groove. As a consequence, the Colony does not get full value from its teaching staff; not that the teachers themselves are to blame; they are the victims of the system, or lack of system. There is a regrettable lack of contact between the staff and the Department, a circumstance which aggravates the situation when, as so often happens, the Director is not himself an educationist. Before any improvement can be expected, there will have to be some definite understanding concerning the real aims of education in this Colony. Obviously, we cannot reach the right goal unless we know what that goal is. At present, there is confusion on that point. Outside advice might be of help. In this connexion, it should be possible to secure from the Board of Education at Home a qualified inspector, who could come out and look over the whole problem, pick out the deficiencies and advise on necessary reforms. There should also be some

machinery created by which the teaching staff collectively could maintain touch with the Department, by way of regular conferences or otherwise.

On the question of the curriculum, there would appear a very real need for taking a more practical view of education, with due regard to the necessities of the situation. Too many of our schools are regarded as a gateway to what has been described as "the white collar brigade." Sir William Hornell, the other day, touched somewhat on this point and could not doubt elaborate it if the occasion arose. We notice, too, that Sir Donald Maclellan, the Minister of Education, recently spoke at Home of the necessity of linking up secondary education with vocational training, saying that unless the best of young life is trained in essential reproductive enterprises, there will be a great wastage of natural talent which only needs encouraging and developing. We are here touching on large and important issues, but they are part and parcel of the whole educational problem and will have eventually to be faced. In the near future, we trust, Hongkong will make at least one step forward when the proposed new Technical School is established, in which connexion it is to be hoped that in the direction of the enterprise account will be taken of the peculiar needs of the Colony. This, however, is only one aspect of our education problem, important though it be. The main necessity is an inquiry into present methods and future needs. Once the goal is set, the task of reaching it should prevent no insuperable obstacles.

POLICE RESERVE.

ORDERS FOR THE CURRENT WEEK.

Police Reserve Orders by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Inspector General of Police, state:

Chinese Company.

Training Course—Part II.—All recruits will attend at the Chinese Company's Headquarters, on Tuesday, January 26th at 5.30 p.m. for instruction.

Defenda Class.—This will be held on Wednesday, January 27th at Police Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. under Police Sergeant R. J. Hunt.

Training Course—Part I.—All recruits of the Chinese Company will attend Central Police Station for Squad Drill on Thursday, January 28th at 5.30 p.m.

N. C. Os. Class.—All N. C. Os. will attend the Chinese Company's Headquarters on Friday, January 29th at 4.00 p.m. for instruction under Mr. Peterson, P.P.T.S.

Company Parade.—All ranks of the Chinese Company are reminded of the parade to be held at the Central Police Station at 2.30 p.m. All members must attend as a Company photograph will be taken at this time. Dress—Blue Uniform, Cap with White Cover, Truncheon, Belt, Whistle and Chain, Armband and Badge, "Pocket Policeman" and Note-Book to be carried.

Indian Company.

Leave.—Constable R229 Jiwan Singh has returned from leave.

Flying Squad.

Strength.—Constable R360 L. A. Guimaraes has been struck off the Roll of the Kowloon Section, Flying Squad as from 18th January, 1932.

The final instructional patrol of the month of the Hongkong Section will take place on Friday, January 29th. All members must attend. Dress—Blue Uniform and Cap with White Cover. Members will fall in at Central Police Station at 5.15 p.m. sharp.

Reserve Emergency Unit.

Defenda Class.—The defenda class will be held in the Gymnasium at Police Headquarters, on Thursday, January 28th at 5.30 p.m. under Police Sergeant R. J. Hunt.

Practice Patrol.—A practice patrol will take place on Friday, January 29th at 5.15 p.m. Members will fall in at that hour outside Queen's Pier. Uniform if possible.

(Sgd.) D. L. KING, D.S.P. (R).

On the application of Mr. R. C. H. Lim, instructed by Mr. J. M. H. the Chief Justice (Sir Joseph Kemp) in the Supreme Court this morning, granted a week's extension of time for the Yau San Knitting Company, Shamshui, to file a return of an allotment of shares. The reason given for the omission was inadvertence.

DAY BY DAY

HOMES SAYS THAT IT IS NOT POINTS NECESSARY TO SALVATION THAT HAVE RAISED ALL THE QUARRELS, BUT QUESTIONS OF AUTHORITY AND POWER OVER THE CHURCH, OR OF PROFIT AND HONOUR TO CHURCHMEN. IN OTHER WORDS, IT HAS ALWAYS BEEN FAR LESS A QUESTION OF WHAT TO BELIEVE, THAN OF WHOM TO BELIEVE.—Morley.

The Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewill is to distribute the prizes at St. Paul's College on February 3rd, at 8 p.m.

During last week, free vaccinations by members of the St. John Ambulance Brigade totalled 2,026. This makes the total to date 71,074.

Mr. M. St. J. Walsh, of the British-American Tobacco Co. (China), Ltd., left the Colony yesterday on a tour of the coast ports.

Lee Yuen-wo, aged 13, was admitted to hospital yesterday following a mishap in Happy Valley, when he slipped off a moving tramcar and was injured.

Mrs. A. R. Sutherland has kindly consented to distribute the prizes at the Yauwatt School on Thursday, 28th inst. The function takes place at 11 a.m.

The annual general meeting of the St. David's Society of Hongkong will be held in the offices of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce on Monday, February 1, at 5.15 p.m.

The date of the opening of the Rotary Club playground at Vanchai is to-morrow, Tuesday, January 26, and not to-day, Monday, January 25, as previously announced. The time is 4.30 p.m.

The Eleventh General Meeting of the Hongkong University Medical Society will be held to-day in the Union Assembly Hall at 5.15 p.m. when Dr. T. P. Wu of Kuling, Kiangsu, who is passing through the Colony, will give an address entitled "Medical Work in China as I see it." Members and others interested are cordially invited to attend.

Under the auspices of the Sisters of the Immaculate Conception a very pleasant morning was spent at the Yau San Anglo-Chinese School, Yauwatt, on Saturday. The occasion was the reading of the School Report for 1931 and presentation of prizes by the Rev. Father Macdonald. A successful school year was concluded by the able rendering of songs, recitations, drill, and dialogue, by the pupils of the School.

The first general meeting of the Hongkong Hiking Club will be held in the offices of the Sunday Star, French Bank Building, at 6 p.m. to-day. The business will include a proposal by Mr. Dangerfield that the subscription be \$1 per month, payable quarterly in advance, or \$10 per annum payable in advance. Members and all those interested in the Club and its projects are cordially invited to attend the meeting.

The Health Bulletin of Eastern Ports for the week ending January 16 shows the following cases of infectious diseases and the deaths therefrom: Plague, Baghdad 2 cases; Rangoon 1 case, Colombo 1 case 1 death, Saurashtra 1 case 1 death, Bangkok 1 case 1 death, Calcutta 25 cases 13 deaths, Chittajong 1 death, Bangkok 1 case, Small-pox, Baghdad 5 cases 9 deaths, Bombay 3 cases, Calcutta 7 cases 3 deaths, Karachi 2 cases 2 deaths, Madras 2 cases, Mouleim 1 case, Rangoon 15 cases 7 deaths, Saigon 23 cases 18 deaths, Amoy 37 cases 14 deaths, Canton 3 cases, Shanghai 43 cases 11 deaths.

WORLD WORRY.

Systems That Threaten to Break Down.

By Lord SYDENHAM OF COMBE

THE world as it seems to me is drifting towards political chaos. The pace of this backward progress and its development will depend upon the racial characteristics of the various people—mainly on the former—but I think it is clear that civilization, as hitherto conceived, is in danger. In the past great empires have arisen from the Yellow Sea to the English Channel, which, after ruthless conquests, evolved organized governments, stamped such culture as they evolved upon larger areas, and then either perished from internal disorder or succumbed to some more virile force.

This process will not repeat itself. Most races have had their chance, and racial solidarity has largely disappeared. In Europe, the Fascist State now seems the most stable; but a free Press would quickly bring back the humiliating political confusion and corruption from which Italy was rescued by Mussolini.

In the Far East the Chinese enjoyed a period of wonderful enlightenment in a distant past. The destruction of authority has reduced them to chaotic conditions; and India is preparing to follow this same fate.

The Empire of Japan, with a history presenting curious resemblances to our own, has risen to the position of a Great Power by adopting Western methods, and is threatened by Western political diseases of which every day brings forth some new symptom in some quarter of the harassed world.

Knowing Less and Less.

The United States—an amalgam of many races—are faced with great domestic difficulties, of which the failure of their legal system, leading to widespread lawlessness, is perhaps the greatest; while organized movements of many kinds, all directed to overthrow the Constitution, are more numerous and active than is generally understood.

Political conditions in the States of the Western hemisphere are disturbed, and there, as elsewhere, the accustomed formula of the B.B.C. applies:—"Further outlook unsettled."

In the dark ages of Europe, knowledge, art, and culture generally seemed to be lost until the Renaissance arrived and gave them new life and vigour. All knowledge is now so strongly entrenched by the printing press that it could not long be submerged.

The so-called Revolution in Russia, the most destructive of human life that the world has known, being wholly materialistic, is frantically applying science to build up a super-industrial state based on slave labour. The Bolshevik system of education, directed to eliminate the higher spiritual law and to cram the youth of Russia with subversive doctrines which Karl Marx borrowed and elaborated, may induce oblivion of the rich culture inherited from the past; but it cannot be permanently obliterated. Government in all ages has succeeded or failed according as it proved strong, just, and stable, or stupidly tyrannical, vacillating, and opportunist.

I believe that mankind needs now, more than ever, to be governed, and only anarchists profess the contrary; but all present conditions combine to make wise and stable government increasingly difficult.

The human brain has gained nothing in powers of clear thinking or capacity since the grand days of Greece and Rome. But knowledge has increased vastly, and continues to increase at an accelerated speed. It follows, inexorably, that relatively to what we ought to know we are becoming progressively more ignorant, and forced to specialise over studies within ever narrowing limits.

The Machine as Master.

Government has become an infinitely complex task and may have passed beyond the power of all men, as it has evidently defeated most.

The gross errors frequently committed without apparent excuse go far to justify this thesis, which, in my view, goes much further. I hold that the conduct of the Great War, in its innumerable aspects, transcended the brain-power available. We have no brain superior to that of Caesar or Napoleon; either on the demands upon either and on the directors of the world conflict was a gulf which could not be bridged.

It is the same in the case of huge combines, now regarded, for reasons which I dispute, as the high-water mark of industrial and commercial efficiency. In the region of finance—which has come to dominate Governments—we find approved experts differing widely.

Science has created a machine age and the machine has taken charge of us and is bringing about conditions with which we are unable to grapple. Will Science teach us how to prevent our machines from injuring mankind? We have built up, or allowed to be built up, a political machine which renders us unable to avert or deal with emergencies when strong and prompt action is vital. Parliamentary machines are discredited in Europe generally, and mob elections are everywhere a cause of anxiety beyond the frontiers of States, just as in the present entanglement of international finance one State can cause trouble or bring assistance to another.

Science has also provided immense facilities for propaganda and publicity. Both are working to distract opinion, to build up innumerable organisations, splitting national solidarity into fragments and creating political instability.

It is becoming difficult to think intelligently, and right and wrong, truth and falsehood, beauty and ugliness tend to be confused.

False Democracy.

The false theories of democracy that all men—and now women—are born equal and co-equal, that majorities composed of voters who must be ignorant on all except the simplest issues, must decide the fate of a nation; and that self-government is necessarily better than good government, stimulate all the forces of disintegration which we find in the world to-day.

There is evidence of the existence of dark forces of old-standing directing the operations on which Bolshevism is actively engaged, and utilising every advantage that present conditions afford to promote world revolution. Some happenings, otherwise inexplicable, seem to justify this hypothesis.

It may be that a new spirit will arise in modern democracies, if they can be made to realise that all that Christian civilisation has brought them is slavery at stake, and that only strong Governments derived from aristocracy of character, unselfish, incorruptible, and patriotic, can restore the liberty of which we are all rapidly being deprived.

Unless such a great psychological change can be brought about, I fear that many forebodings in old age will be realised. Revolutions, not international wars, are the greatest peril of the world as I see it.



"What do you think, Gus—is that too much lipstick for this neighbourhood?"

PHIPPS welcomes the
**ANTI-ALGEBRA
MOVEMENT.**

It looks as if the Battle of Waterloo wasn't won at Eton after all.
The legend of how the Etonians remembering their mathematics.
(Continued on Page 7.)

FUTURE OF PEAK HOSPITAL.

RESIDENTIAL FLATS POSSIBLE.

NEW INSTITUTION.

Within a very short time—probably by the end of February—the Peak Hospital, which, thanks to the generous gesture made by Mr. J. E. Joseph some years ago, has served local needs since it ended its career as a private institution, will be closed down and will no longer serve the purpose for which it has so long existed.

By that time, it is expected, the Hongkong War Memorial Hospital will be ready for opening and will supersede the Peak Hospital.

Although no definite date for the opening of the War Memorial Hospital has yet been fixed, it is understood that it is almost certain to be in use by March 1st. Whether or not there will be an official opening ceremony has yet to be decided.

The hospital was originally to have been ready for use this month, but interior structural alterations are being effected and these have delayed the opening.

When the Mount Kellett institution is completely ready, the Government will hand back to Mr. J. E. Joseph, the owner of the property, the Peak Hospital. It will be recalled that originally the building was used as a private institution, and the site was then disposed of and purchased by Mr. J. E. Joseph, who, in view of the need of hospital facilities in Hong Kong at the time, generously handed over the property over for the use of the Government.

The future of the Peak Hospital is somewhat uncertain, though it is known that it will not continue to discharge its present functions. There is a distinct possibility that the building will be used as residential flats.

LOITERER WITH PICK-LOCKS.

CAUGHT NEAR STAR THEATRE.

Three pick-locks, a grapple and an electric torch were produced as exhibits at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court before Mr. Fraser this morning when a man named Chan Koon was charged with loitering in Peking Road at 12.40 a.m. on Saturday and with possession of the instruments.

Detective Inspector Elston, who prosecuted, stated that a Chinese detective saw the defendant leaning against an Electric Company kiosk outside the Star Theatre. The detective searched him for arms and found the pick-locks and the torch in his pocket, and the grapple concealed in his hat.

Defendant said the instruments were not pick-locks. He had made them at an idle moment.

His Worship:—You say they are not pick-locks? Well, if they are not, they should not look so much like them! That's all I have got to say.

Inspector Elston informed his Worship that a European was near by at the time, but he was drunk. The officer suggested that defendant was waiting for the European to pass before trying to break into the kiosk, the Star Theatre or one of the houses in the vicinity.

His Worship:—These are alternative charges, aren't they, Inspector Elston?—No. If he had a gun instead of these instruments, your Worship would have to convict him on both charges.

His Worship disagreed, remarking that he did not think the two charges were meant to be accumulative. A fine of \$250 or three months' hard labour was imposed on the second charge. The first was dismissed.

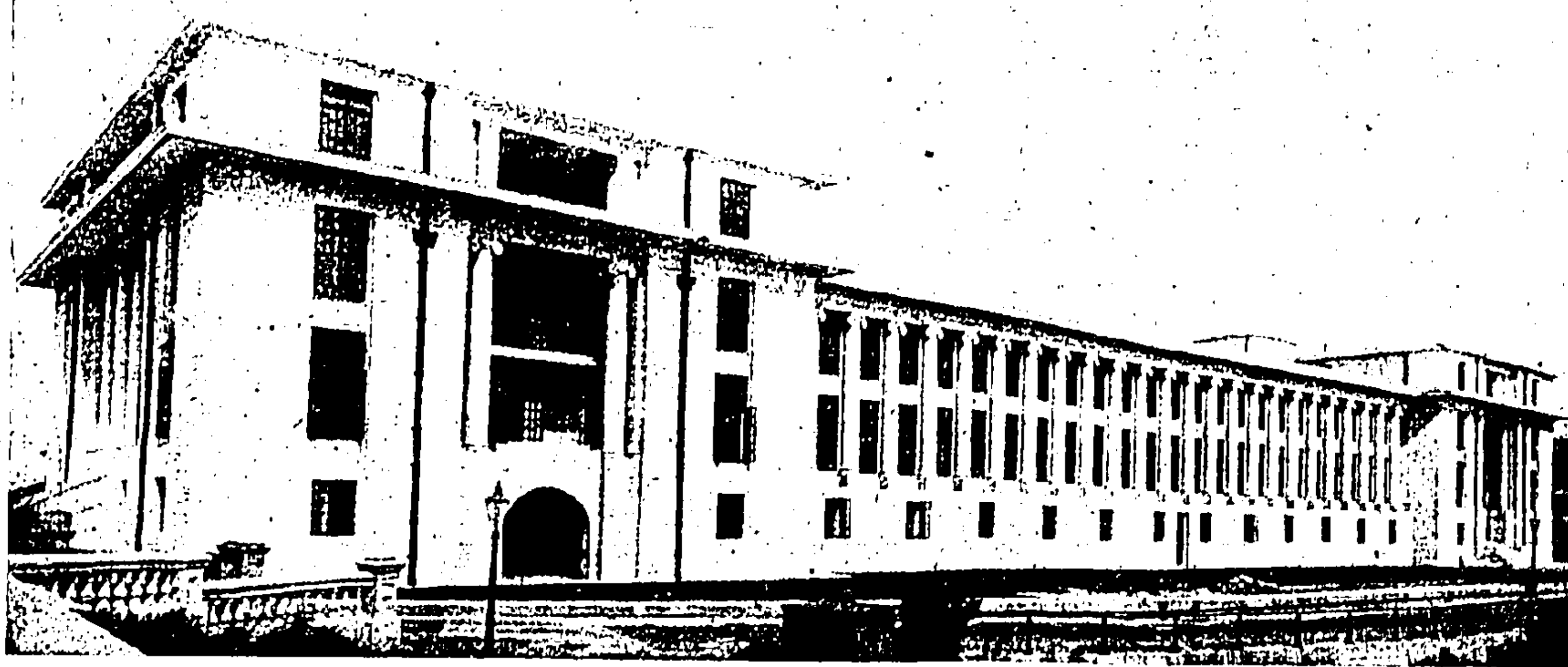
NOVEL FORM OF LOTTERY.

NEW DODGE TRIED BY HAWKER.

A novel form of lottery was brought to the attention of Mr. Williams at the Central Police Court to-day.

Instituted by a hawker who thought that this might induce a "boom" in his business, the device consisted of lighting one of about a dozen tiny electric bulbs mounted on a circular wooden board by pressing one of an equal number of switches bunched together in a cloth bag in which they were concealed. The element of chance was presented by three or four "duds" in the number of switches.

The culprit, who was charged with an infringement of the Gaming Law, strenuously protested his innocence, but was fined \$5.



The Hongkong War Memorial Hospital, situated at Mount Kellett, The Peak, which is expected to be ready for occupation by March 1st. As will be seen, it is a magnificent building, and it is stated that it will be the finest equipped hospital in the Colony. (Photo: Ming Yuen Studio).

DEPOSIT CASE CONCLUDES.

JUDGEMENT FOR THE PLAINTIFF.

The \$8,000 deposit receipt case which was before the Chief Justice (Sir Joseph Kemp) in the Supreme Court last Thursday, was concluded this morning, when his Lordship gave judgment for the plaintiff.

In this action Ng Chi-chow, No. 61, Bonham Strand West, brought an action against Lui Che-wan, No. 14, Kwong Hon Terrace, for (1) the return of a deposit receipt relating to \$8,000 deposited with the Bank of China, (2) damages for its detention, and (3) a declaration that the receipt belonged to plaintiff.

It appeared that the receipt was issued in the joint names of plaintiff and Sia Kwok-leung, but that the latter had no interest in it. Nevertheless, as it was in his possession, he handed it to defendant as part security for a loan of \$4,000, and defendant refused to return the note to plaintiff until the debt was paid.

Mr. H. G. Sheldon, instructed by Mr. D. H. Evans, of Messrs. Johnson Stokes and Master, was for plaintiff, while Mr. F. C. Jenkin, K. C., instructed by Mr. F. X. D'Almada, senior, of Messrs. D'Almada and Mason, was for defendant.

Mr. Jenkin relied entirely on estoppel, alleging that by his conduct plaintiff had induced defendant to believe that Sia had a share in the deposit, and was entitled to transfer it as security. Finally, his Lordship found against Mr. Jenkin on the estoppel point, gave judgment for plaintiff, and assessed damages at \$250.

His Lordship agreed with Mr. Jenkin that defendant had been entirely bona fide throughout, and remarked he had been unfortunate inasmuch as he had suffered at the hands of another person.

SUCCUMBED TO TEMPTATION.

YOUTH SWINDLES HIS COLLEAGUES.

A small partnership formed by six members of the staff of the Ling Nam Torch Factory, of Shaukwan Road, to sell cigarettes to the employees of the establishment was broken up by the accountant of the business attempting to steal the monies of the concern.

It would appear that six members of the factory formed themselves into a partnership to supply the workmen of the factory with cigarettes, but during the week-end, the accountant, a youth of 18, resorted to the others that the small staff had been entered by burglars and the entire profits, amounting to \$28, had been stolen.

Later, the youth was seen to retrieve the money box from the yard and the other partners then instituted a search of the premises for traces of the burglary. During the search the youth produced a \$10 note from between the leaves of a book. His discovery of the box and the money led to suspicion being directed against him, a report of the occurrence was made to the manager of the factory who questioned the accountant. The youth then confessed that he had taken the money.

The accountant was brought before Mr. Schofield at the Central Police Court this morning and accused of larceny from a dwelling. He pleaded guilty.

In explaining the facts of the case to his Worship, Inspector Rodger said the defendant had apparently regretted his act immediately afterwards.

His Worship, taking the circumstances into consideration, bound the defendant over on a personal bond.

BURNS NICHT CELEBRATED.

WARM TRIBUTES TO THE NATIONAL BARD.

HAPPY GATHERING.

With all the old customs that tradition has dictated, Hongkong Scotsmen sat down to their Burns Night dinner at Lane, Crawford's Restaurant on Saturday to pay tribute to their great poet, and to toast the "Immortal Memory of Robert Burns." A large gathering listened to Mr. Handyside's spirited address on the bard, and then joined in the choruses of the popular Scottish airs, without which no Burns Night would be complete.

Everything at the gathering told of the tartan-draped porters, of him hung behind the official table, some of his verse, illustrated by Andy Duncan, decorated the walls, and appropriate lines embellished the real Scottish bill of fare. And after Pipe Major Mackie, had piped in the bagpipes, he gave Burns' "Address to the Haggis" in the broadest of Scottish accents.

The Burns Atmosphere.

"Many reasons have been given for the origin of this annual function and for the regularity with which it is celebrated," said Mr. Handyside. "The regularity is undoubtedly due to the high place Burns holds in the lives of the Scottish people. It would be considered a slur on themselves if they failed to assemble once a year to do honour to one who did so much to make Scotland and Scottish people revered from pole to pole. But why in this form? Why round the festive board with songs and stories of our native land?"

"I think we must admit that it is because it was in an atmosphere such as this that Burns was most himself. There was nothing of the hermit about Burns. No doubt he liked to wander alone among the familiar scenes of his native Ayrshire, but he was happier in the company of his fellow men especially when they could throw off all hypocritical and conventional restraint and be themselves for a few brief hours."

"The story of Burns is part of our national heritage. A man is not a genuine Scot—in spite of his dialect, place of birth or other accidental peculiarities—if he is ignorant among other things of the real meaning of the life and works of Burns for Scotland. Such knowledge, however, entails more than a nodding acquaintance with the events of the life of the poet and with a few of his more popular songs. We must have justification for the faith that is in us."

"Wherever Scotsmen are to be found, there will honour be done to him. He lives forever in the hearts of his countrymen: nay in the hearts of all who cherish the Beautiful."

The Lassies.

Although a Burns Night dinner includes none of the lassies, their toast is solemnly given, and in proposing it, Mr. J. J. Ferguson made a few witty remarks on both Burns and the lassies.

"How they puzzle us," he declared. "Question marks from the beginning of time, but we need them as much, if not more than they need, so it is with great reverence and a little awe that I ask you to drink the toast."

Mr. T. P. Sanderson answered the toast.

Chairman of the evening was the Chieftain of St. Andrew's Society, Mr. A. Stevenson. The musical items were given by Messrs. George McLeod, J. F. Anderson and R. Koon, with Mr. S. A. Sweet at the piano.

LOCAL WEDDING.

MR. A. F. X. DE SOUZA AND MISS DE FARIA.

An interesting wedding took place at the Roman Catholic Cathedral yesterday when Miss Maria Emelia Lobato de Faria became the bride of Mr. Alberto Francisco Xavier de Souza. Miss de Faria is a daughter of Mr. Saturnino Lobato de Faria and Mrs. Emily Mary Hall Lobato de Faria, while the bridegroom's parents are Mr. Jose M. de Souza and Mrs. Cecilia M. G. de Souza. The Rev. Father Rossi officiated.

The bride, who was given away by her brother (Mr. F. X. Lobato de Faria), was attired in a gown of white satin trimmed with lace and carried a bouquet of roses.

The Misses Adozinda Lobato de Faria, Alda A. Gomes, Carmen Rozario and Natercia Xavier were the bridesmaids. They wore dresses of georgette and carried bouquets of chrysanthemums. Mr. J. C. V. Ribeiro and Mr. L. V. Antonio were the groomsmen.

Following a reception at the couple left for their honeymoon in Macao and Canton. Mrs. de Souza's travelling dress was of crepe-de-chine.

ANTI-ALGEBRA MOVEMENT.

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formed square roots until Wellington put Napoleon in brackets, is familiar to every schoolboy.

But at the Headmasters' Conference at Godalming, Surrey, Dr. Alington, the head of Eton, expressed the view that the standard on which mathematics had hitherto been taught made them totally unintelligible to the average pupil.

He confessed that he had not the faintest idea why he had been taught Algebra, and that it seemed to him a pure waste of time. "I can hear the 'Hear, hear!'" from here.

This blow to the power of "X" is indeed a word in season. It will fall sweetly on the ears of England's Smith Minorhood, generally released this week.

Mathematical Nightmare.

Smith Minor has always regarded Algebra as a sort of academic distemper through which the best of us must pass—a curse laid on the Student Body by some forgotten fanatic.

Sometimes (after a liberal helping of trifle) he has dreamt that a horde of equations was tripping a wild quadrangle dance across his chest. At other times a vast Theorem with a binomial beard has appeared to be pushing him into a den of ravenous coefficients.

But to Smith Minor the idea of escape has never occurred.

Now the headmaster of Eton has brought a ray of hope. All over England schoolboys are gasping: "x+y-z—Pure Waste of time!" Dr. Alington, to put it unacademically, has said a mouthful.

Smith.

8. Songs.

(a) Little Lady of the Moon (Eric Coates).

(b) Marcheta (Schertzing).

Mr. C. Reg. Anderson (Baritone) accompanied by Miss Luba Pecker.

9. Violin Solos.

(a) Poem (Fibich).

(b) Polichelle Serenade (Kreisler).

Mr. V. Doronovsky accompanied by Miss Luba Pecker.

10. Songs.

(a) A Last Year's Rose (R. Quilter).

(b) Love's Philosophy (R. Quilter).

Mrs. M. Matheson (Contralto) accompanied by Mr. A. M. Bowes-Smith.

10.30 p.m. (Approx.). Rugby Mid-Day Press News.

10.33 p.m. (Approx.). Close Down.

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A LOCAL CONCERT FROM THE STUDIO.

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Trio-Mad Madrigal. Trio-Jolly Along! The Three Harmonisers. MR283. Descriptive-Laughing Suzanne and the Sousaphone Man. Descriptive-My Giggling Typist. Charles Jolly and Kaye Connor. MR331.

Band-The Kiss Waltz. Band-Seven Vells. Billy Cotton and His Band. MR222. Humorous Song-What Aro You Thinkin' About Baby? Humorous Song-That's What I Like About You.

Phyllis Robins. DB653. Organ Solo-Viktoria and Her Hussar-Pardon, Madame. Organ Solo-Viktoria and Her Hussar-Good Night.

Reginald Foot. DB649. Vocal Duet-Newspapers. Vocal Duet-That's Why Darkies Were Born.

Layton and Johnstone. DB678. Humorous Song-I'm Waiting Now for Any Kind of Sweetheart. Humorous Song-National Economy. Norman Long. DB676.

7.54-8.48 p.m. Scottish Selections.

Band-The Wee MacGregor (Amers). Band of The Royal Air Force. G9285. Song-Castles in the Air (Tradition).

Song-Up in the Morning! Early (Hamilton and Mackenzie). Margaret F. Stewart (Soprano). 5565. Humorous Song-Jock O'Hazeldean (Words by Sir W. Scott).

Humorous Song-Blue Bonnets Over the Border (Tradition). DB666. Organ Solo-Scotland-Medley.

Quentin M. Maclean. DX260. Song-I'm Glad My Heart's my Ain (arr. Ingles).

Song-The Auld Scots Sangs (Bethune and Leeson). Margaret F. Stewart (Soprano). 4768.

Band-A Night w/ Burns-Overture (arr. Carl Velti). The Silver Stars Band. G8627. Songs-Songs of the Hebrides (arr. Kennedy-Fraser).

Patulla Kennedy-Fraser (Soprano). 9836. 8.48-9.00 p.m.

An Old Time Music Hall-Second House (Chairman Jack Morrison with the Variety Singers. MR428-MR429. All records in the above European programmes are kindly supplied by Messrs. Anderson Music Co.

9.00-10.30 p.m. Studio Concert. Programme.

1. Songs. (a) Snowflakes (Mallinson). (b) Night (Mallinson).

Mrs. A. M. Bowes-Smith (Soprano) accompanied by Mr. A. M. Bowes-Smith.

2. Pianoforte Solo. Variations on a Russian Theme (Glazounov). Miss Luba Pecker.

3. Songs. (a) Bird Songs at Eventide (Eric Coates).

(b) Duna (McGill). Mr. C. Reg. Anderson (Baritone) accompanied by Miss Luba Pecker.

4. Violin Solos. (a) Andantino (Martini). (b) Petit Sorenade pour Arlequin (Fortner).

Mr. V. Doronovsky accompanied by Miss Luba Pecker.

5. Songs. (a) Don't Come in Sir, Please (C. Scott).

(b) A Roundel of Rest (C. Scott). Mrs. M. Matheson (Contralto) accompanied by Mr. A. M. Bowes-Smith.

6. Pianoforte Solo. Variations and Finale (Glazounov). Miss Luba Pecker.

7. Songs. (a) When I am Dead my Dearest (Coleridge-Taylor).

(b) At The Well (Hagman). Mrs. A. M. Bowes-Smith (Soprano) accompanied by Mr. A. M. Bowes-Smith.

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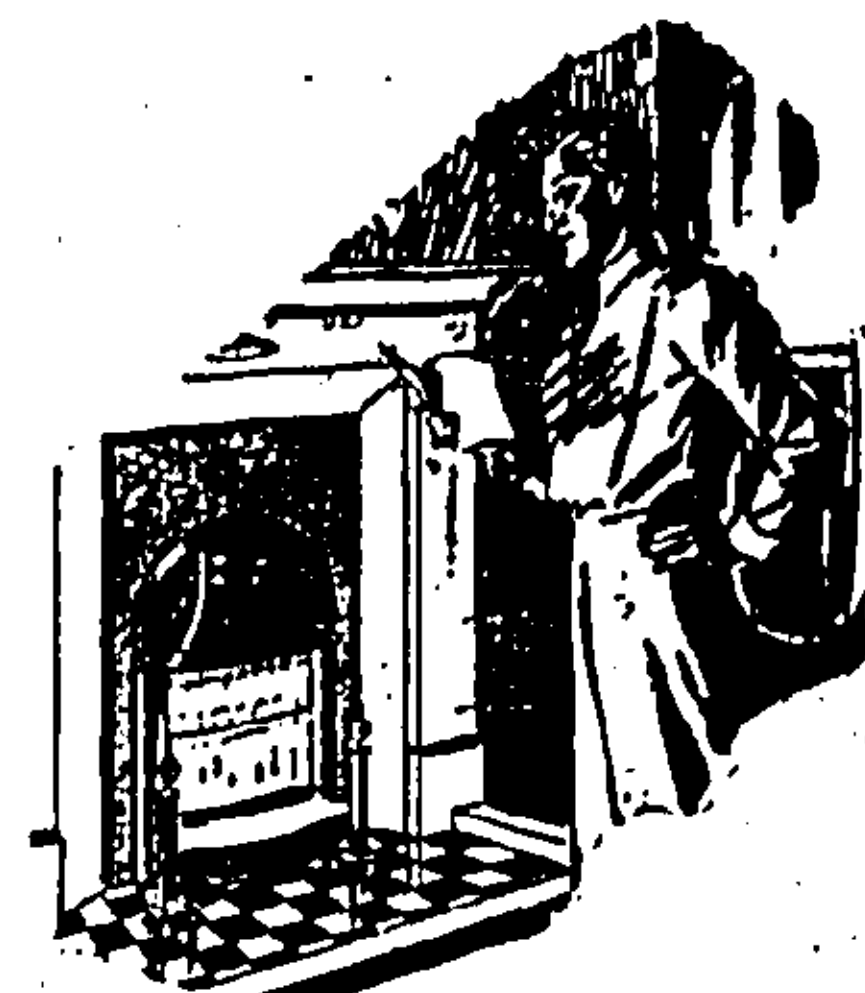
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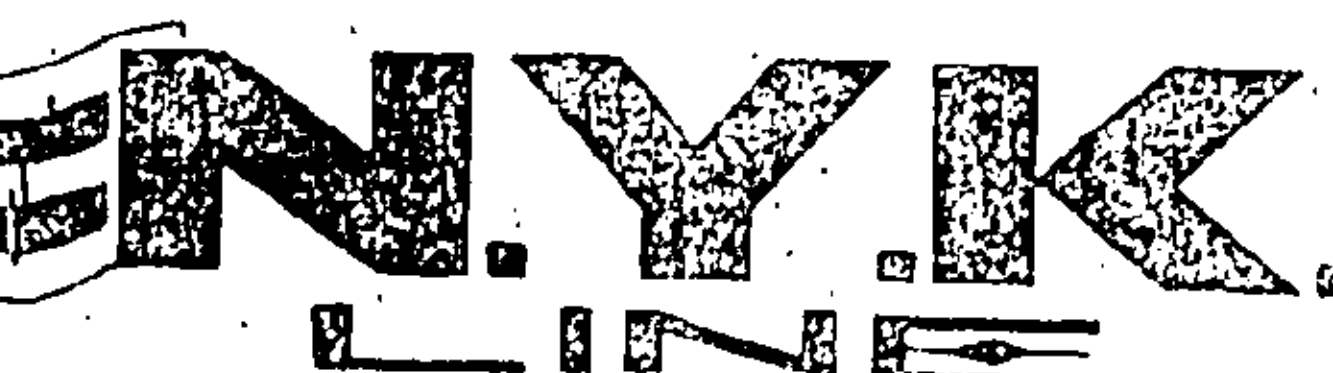
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CHINESE WEDDING.

MARRIAGE OF A POPULAR LOCAL COUPLE.

The wedding between Mr. Tang Man Chun and Miss Edith S. L. Chan was solemnized at St. John's Cathedral on Saturday, at 3 p.m. The ceremony was performed by the Very Rev. Dean Swann.

The bride is the eldest daughter of the late Mr. Chan King Wa, and the bridegroom comes of one of the oldest families in the Colony, and is well known among the Chinese social set, being a popular racehorse owner and rider.

The bride was given away by her brother, Mr. Chan Wing Kit, and was attended by Miss S. M. Chan and Miss K. W. Tang as bridesmaids. The duties of best man were performed by Mr. T. F. Lo, with Mr. Andrew Tse as groomsmen. A very large gathering of relatives and friends were present at the ceremony.

A reception was afterwards given at the Hongkong Hotel grill room, where a large number of prominent local residents attended to offer their congratulations to the newly married couple. Mr. Ho Kom Tong, O.B.E., in an eloquent and appropriate speech, proposed the health of the bride and bride-

CONTRACTOR ROBBED.

DURING STREET OUTRAGE AT MONGKOK.

Footpads in Anchor Street, Mongkok, on Saturday night, held up a contractor and relieved him of \$500 he was taking home.

It transpires that the attack came as a complete surprise, the victim not expecting any danger from two other pedestrians until he was suddenly felled with a crashing blow on the skull.

The contractor told the Police afterwards that he lay on the ground dazed and he could only indistinctly recall that the men went through his pockets and took the wind of notes.

A foreman, named Yuen Che-wah, who was accompanying the contractor, declares that pepper was thrown at him by the gang which, he maintains, comprised four other persons in addition to the two seen by the contractor. One of these held a revolver.

The direction of flight taken by the robbers is said to have been towards Mongkokkai.

After the reception the happy couple left for North China for their honeymoon.

GEMS OF PERIL.

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such knowledge brought only added a becoming flush to the pale cheeks, and a deeper radiance to the grey eyes. There were many here tonight who remembered... and they fondly craved to get a view of the girl who was reputed to hold the Jupiter automobile millions in the hollow of her hand.

Well, the wise ones murmured, she was good looking enough certainly to have turned any man's head, particularly an old widower's who had spent close to 50 years of his life in respectable wedlock with his first and only wife, Jupiter was a lucky man, said these. And there were others who said "What tosh, her engagement has just been announced to young Kuy-thee!" And still others pointed out, in rebuttal, that young Kuy-thee was conspicuously absent, and who could the young man escorting her be, anyhow? Just a herring drawn across the trail, replied the wise ones. And having exhausted the subject, they turned their attention to their food and to a party of incoming dowagers, endeavoring the lights in their turn, and without either youth or conspicuous beauty to make the ordeal less trying.

Service was slow, but the soup arrived and still there was no sign of De Loma. If he were already there, he must be aware of their presence after that gaudy introduction. He must not be here. That was the only explanation here. Then he came. Mary heard his voice at her elbow, and jumped. She never knew where he came from, how he found his way to her side, without attracting notice. It was as if he had sprung from the ground at her feet in a burst of smoke, like Delezhub. But the explanation was quite simple—some males were not being honoured with the spotlight. De Loma had simply walked in the door, and by the very sensible process of following the narrow raised platform which skirted the room, just under the carpet, he had arrived by what seemed miraculous means at the Jupiter table.

She looked up quickly, in time to see the furtive smile freeze on his face as he saw the rubies. His face went pale under its dark tan. The black eyes stared at the gems as if fascinated. His head jerked away as he saw her looking at him. It was the first betraying move she had ever seen him make. But it was enough—plainly the unexpected coming face-to-face with the necklace had unnerved him. He was nervous as a lover as he asked her to dance. A slow thrill of power slipped over Mary, drew her up straight and tall beside him. The rubies rattled on the polished bosom of his dress-shirt. He kept his eyes turned away—his ready gift of tongue seemed to have left him all at once.

The orchestra muted its voice and began to throb out a waltz. The leader crooned the melody softly, in a yearning, passion-laden undertone. It was somehow reminiscent of that other night—the night of her engagement party. Mary thought, leaden-hearted. If only Dirk were here now, to dance with her—

She looked about, not very hopefully. The lights had been dimmed until only the strings of swaying, breeze-shaken Japanese lanterns remained. By their uncertain illumination she saw a party being seated at a table beside the dance-floor—two girls and a man. There

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

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From MIDDLESBRO, LONDON and STRAITS.

The Steamship.

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Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns and/or extra hazardous Godowns of The Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 26th January, 1932, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 9th February, 1932, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 25th January, 1932, at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, 19th January, 1932.

GOLD EXPORTS FALL.

UNSETTLED INDIA AFFECTS FOREIGN SHIPMENTS.

Bombay, Jan. 23.

Congress propaganda among up-country sellers of gold, combined with the picketing of the local mint and exchanges, is affecting the export of gold. The P. and O. liner Ranpara sailed today with £1,000,000 in gold, which is 30 per cent. below last week's shipment.—*Reuter.*

The steamer Europa sailed today with \$20,000,000 in gold, mostly consigned for France.—*Reuter's American Service.*

was much scraping of chairs, rearranging of place and settling of wraps. It was impossible to see who they were, for they were in semi-darkening while a broad amber glow from a huge spotlight made the dance-floor a colourful melange of moving figures.

Something about the newcomer reminded Mary of Dirk. Her heart plunged wildly. She touched De Loma's arm.

"Over there—someone I want to see." Obligingly he turned about and led her past the table she indicated. Almost immediately they were abreast of it. She did not really expect it to be Dirk. She had been seeing him in various total strangers ever since she learned he was in the hotel. This no doubt was just another optical illusion.

Then suddenly she was looking directly into his eyes. For a long moment they saw no one else, he and she—just that long plume of eye into eye while mixed emotions swept over them both.

There was a girl's surprised cry. "Why, Enrique!" It was Ethel, gaping at the man she believed to be in South America. De Loma barely nodded. Cornelia's face started at them frigidly—white, angry, stunned.

Then in the space of an instant Dirk's face changed as if a mask had slipped over it. With a look of stony recognition, he turned away. (To be Continued.)

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

SERVICES CONTRACTUELS DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

The Steamship.

"ATHOS II"

Arrived Hongkong on Wednesday, the 19th January, 1932.

Consignees of Cargo by the above named steamer are hereby informed that their goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and placed at their risk in the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, whence delivery can be obtained as the goods are landed.

Goods not cleared within 7 days including date of arrival, will be subject to rent.

All claims must be sent to the undersigned before the Thursday, the 26th January, 1932, or they will not be recognized.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the consignee, and the Company's Surveyor Messrs. Goddard and Douglas at 10.00 a.m. on Tuesday, the 26th January, 1932. Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined by the Company's Surveyors.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

R. OHL, Agent.

Hongkong, 19th January, 1932.

N. Y. LINE

(NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.)

From EUROPE AND STRAITS.

The Steamship.

"HARUNA MARU"

having arrived from the above ports. Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 26th January, 1932, will be subject to rent. Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Co's representatives on any Tuesdays and Fridays, at 2.30 p.m. within the free storage period.

For the examination of damaged dutiable goods, the consignees must arrange for a Revenue Officer to be present.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

No fire insurance has been effected.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, 22nd January, 1932.

BIG SHANGHAI EXPLOSION.

MUNITIONS CARGO BLOWS UP.

Shanghai, Jan. 24.

A terrific explosion shook Shanghai this afternoon, about 3.30 o'clock when a lighter carrying explosives and ammunition to Kiangnan Arsenal blew up in the river.

Doors all over the city were burst open, and windows rattled, many of them smashing under the force of the concussion.

It was later learned that the explosion was due to sparks, from a tug towing the lighter, setting fire to the lighter's canvas cover.

It is reported that forty persons were killed, while tremendous damage was done in the immediate vicinity.—*Reuter Morning Post Special.*



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FELIX ROUSSEL	29th Mar	SPHINX	29th Mar
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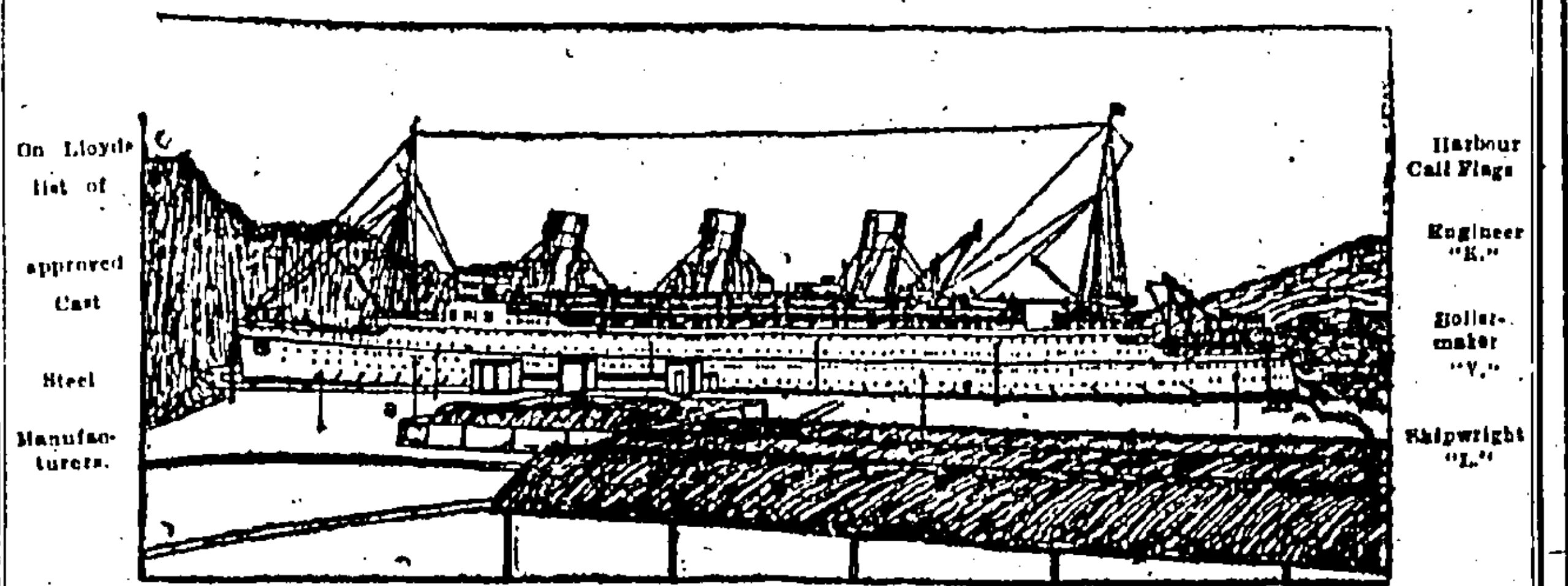
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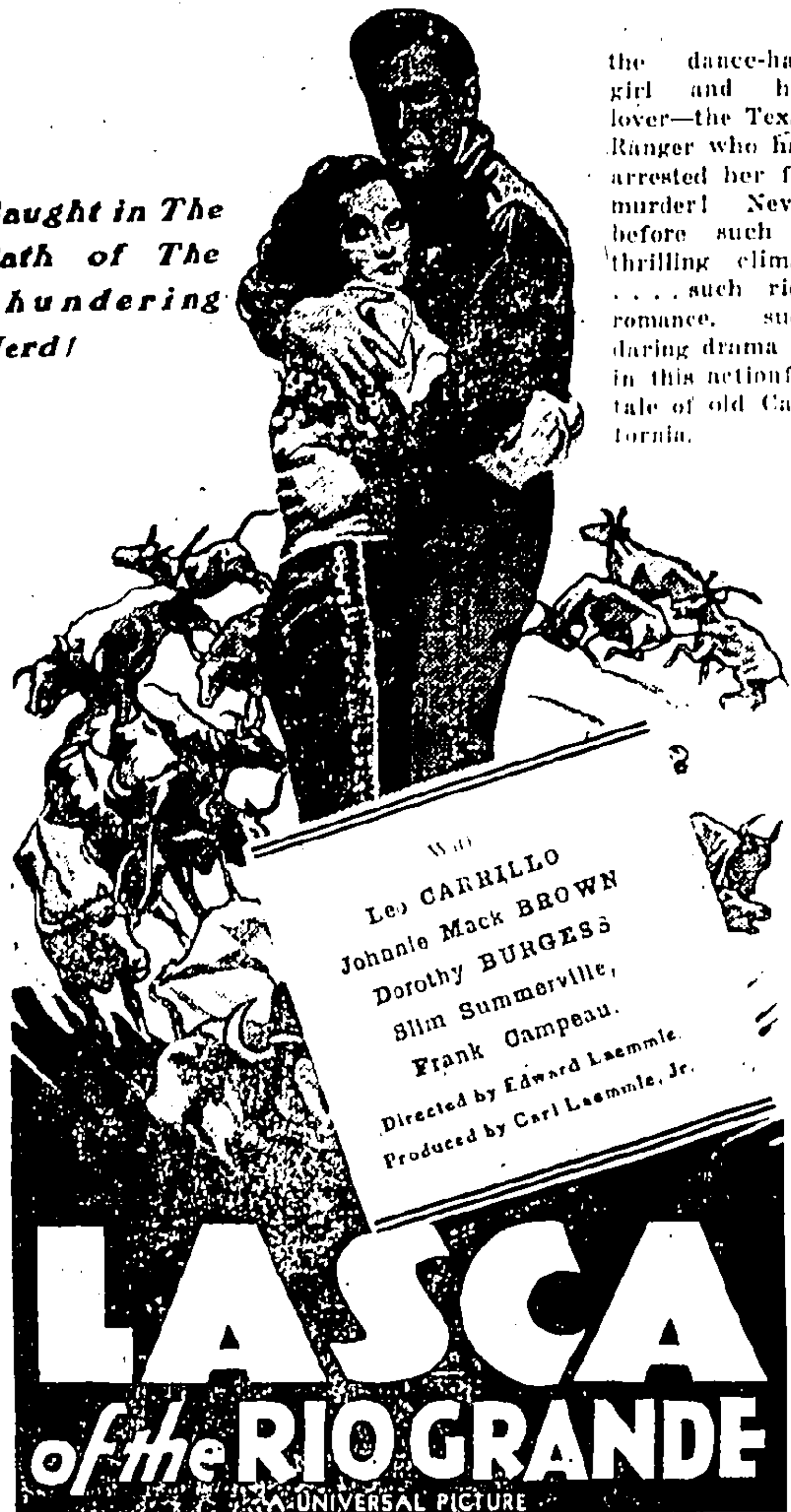
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CODOS AND ROBIDA BACK IN FRANCE.
Le Bourget, Jan. 24.
Paul Codos and Henri Robida, the French airmen, arrived here to-day at 3.55 a.m., after a record breaking flight to Indo-China and back. They collapsed the figures put up by Costes and Bellontes by a day and eight hours.
Codos and Robida left Saigon on Thursday and passed over Marseilles on Saturday.—*Reuter.*

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GERMAN NOTE HOARD.

Standstill Accord Revelation.

AGREEMENT TEXT.

Berlin, Jan. 24.
The official text of the new "standstill" agreement regarding Germany's short-term commercial loans, has been issued for publication.

The document states that instead of a fixed schedule for the repayment of the short-term debts at fixed dates, it had seemed best to the parties to leave the future determination of what can be paid to an Advisory Committee, representing the creditors.

The machinery for funding the short-term debt will allow cash advances in the German banks to be converted, at the option of the creditor, into ten-year notes, bearing interest at six per cent.

The German banks have agreed to deposit special security against such ten-year notes.

German creditors, other than bankers, will be able to participate in this arrangement.

The agreement also provides that foreign creditors shall have the right to convert unsecured cash advances into blocked investments.

Hoarded Banknotes.
The report estimates that there are approximately one billion marks of hoarded banknotes in Germany and says that with reviving confidence, the internal money market will receive substantial relief from this source.

STUDIO HOLD-UP ALLEGED.
A daring hold-up in an office in Beaconsfield Arcade, through which it is suggested, a sum of \$46.70 contained in a drawer, and belonging to the Ming Yuen Studio, was stolen, is receiving the attention of C.I.D. men.

The report of the affair, which is alleged to have occurred at 8.45 last night, was made by an office boy in the employ of the Ming Yuen. He states that he was in the office on the first floor when he was surprised by two men who walked in brandishing daggers. He declares he could only stand by powerless, watching the intruders force open a drawer and extract the money.

CANTON WIN THE INTERPORT.

HARD-COURTS UPSET HONGKONG.

SINGLES DEBACLE.

The first interport tennis contest between Canton and Hongkong, played on Davis Cup lines, ended yesterday in favour of Canton, who won the first two matches, lost the third and secured the fourth. The result of the last event is not yet to hand.

The matches were played at Canton over the week-end, when on Saturday, Leung Tak-kwong, beat M. W. Lo 4-6, 6-4, 6-2, 5-7, 6-2.

On Sunday, Bodiker, the Canton champion, quickly finished off his tie with E. C. Fincher which was left uncompleted on Saturday, the scores being 8-6, 9-7, 6-3 in his favour.

The doubles match between S. A. and H. D. Rumlju of Hongkong and Wong Pak-wong and Ma Chi-nuen, resulted in a win for the visitors 6-3, 6-3, 6-3.

Meeting Leung Tak-kwong in his second singles, E. C. Fincher suffered another defeat by three sets to one, the scores reading 6-2, 6-1, 5-7, 6-4.

RUSSIAN LACKS PASSPORT.

PILGRIM'S PROGRESS IMPEDED.

Fired by religious zeal, it is stated, a young Russian, named S. Rovensky, has conceived the idea of making a pilgrimage to Palestine. Lack of funds, however, has brought about many difficulties, and having progressed from Shanghai as far as Hongkong, the pilgrim has found he could go no further.

The fact of the matter is that when the question of a British visa for his passport was raised, Rovensky was unable to satisfy the local authorities, and a compromise was reached by which the pilgrim was sent to Canton on condition that he would not return to Hongkong. A sympathetic emigrant also gave him a small sum.

Returning to the Colony over the week-end, he again came under police attention, when it was explained that the object of his return was to secure medical treatment. The pilgrim complained of being generally "run down," but such was not found to be the case. Dr. L. Newton, of the Government Civil Hospital, to whom he was sent, reporting that he could find nothing wrong, beyond the man's own statement that he was suffering from neurasthenia.

"We therefore decided to bring

HONGKONG TRADE IN 1931.

DROP IN STERLING VALUES.

DOLLAR INCREASES.

The Statistical Branch of the Imports and Exports Department reports that the total value of imports of merchandise into Hongkong during the calendar year 1931 amounted to \$737.7 millions, an increase of \$87.7 millions as compared with the 1930 figure (estimated), and an increase of \$124.4 millions as compared with the year 1924.

Exports were declared to a value of \$542 millions, representing an increase of \$42 millions as compared with 1930, and \$1 million as compared with 1924.

In terms of sterling values, both imports and exports in the year 1931 suffered very serious declines as compared with the year 1924, but it should be noted that taken at their face value these figures do not accurately represent the ratios of the actual volume of trade handled in the Colony during the respective periods.

Commodity prices ruled high in 1924, and did not break until the latter end of 1929, when a persistent decline set in. This decline in world wholesale prices continued up to the end of last year with the result that commodity prices in 1931 were more than 30% below 1924 prices.

Therefore, to arrive at an approximate estimate of the comparative volume of trade in the years 1924 and 1931 it is necessary to calculate on the basis of 1924 prices. Taking this and other factors into consideration, it can be reasonably estimated that the volume of imports last year fell by a little over 20% as compared with 1924, while exports declined approximately 30%.

It should further be noted that 1924 was above the average. Comparison with a more recent period would be of greater value, but 1924 was the last completed year in which trade statistics were compiled by Government.

him before the court," stated Detective Sergt. Mottram at the Central Police Court, before Mr. Williams, this morning.

The statement was confirmed that Rovensky had applied to the British consular authorities at Shanghai for a British visa, but was informed that he must show that he had at least £50 in his possession or deposited with the Bank of Palestine before a visa could be granted him that far.

Rovensky, who was charged with lacking proper passports, was fined \$10, or four weeks.

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QUEEN'S THEATRE.

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velop are seen in a rapid-action story which holds interest from start to finish. There is, however, rather too much of the melodramatic about the film, although the acting throughout is of a high standard.

Lionel Barrymore has a part which suits him to a nicety as the father given to too much drinking, while Norma Shearer's work is what we should expect of her, especially in the really tense moments. Clark Gable plays the villain most convincingly, but Leslie Howard does not quite come up to expectations as the hero, although his acting is marked by excellent restraint.

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